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Dinner Chat

U.S. Under 'Dictator'

THE United States is under a dictatorship, which has "suspended democratic processes and placed in the hands of the President more powers than are vested in Mussolini or Stalin," the Rev. Peter B. Durfee, O.F.M., told a recent meeting of the Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Richmond Hill, New York.

"Congress is as powerless as the German Reichstag or the Italian Chamber of Deputies," said Father Durfee. "The old order of equalism has given way to the new order of determinism. The State determines not only what you should do, but what you should say and what you should think . . .

"Americans must be wary, lest in fighting for either the old order or the new order these temporary suspensions of liberty become permanent and we lose our 'American order.'"

N. Y. Friends Plan Corporate Communion

FATHER COUGHLIN'S friends in the City of New York, after much thought and consideration, decided that no better way could be found to honor him upon the completion of 25 fruitful and glorious years in the Holy Priesthood than by participating as a body in corporate Communion.

Final arrangements were made at a recent meeting of the *"Brooklyn Friends of Father Coughlin."*

A special Mass will be celebrated on June 29th, the occasion of Father Coughlin's Silver Jubilee, at St. Joseph's Church, Vanderbilt Avenue and Pacific Street, Brooklyn, at 9 a. m., to be followed by a Communion breakfast at the Columbus Club, No. 1 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Included on the speakers on this occasion will be the Rev. Dr. Edward Lodge Curran, the Rev. Peter Baptiste Duffee, O.F.M., well known orator and lecturer, and Dr. Patrick Scanlon, editor of the *Tablet*.

Tickets are priced at $1. Many of Father Coughlin's friends may not be able to attend the breakfast, but all are urged to attend the Holy Mass and to participate in the Corporate Communion.

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July 4-5 — Brooklyn, N. Y. Members of Social Justice Club No. 1 of Greenpoint, through the efforts of its secretary, Frank Keller, 6 Lombardy Street, Brooklyn, have arranged their own pilgrimage to the Shrine.

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Boston Clubs Plan Communion Breakfast

THE Social Justice Clubs of Boston, Massachusetts, will hold a Communion breakfast on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of the Rev. Father Charles E. Coughlin on Sunday, June 29, at 9:30 a. m. at the Hotel Westminster, Copley Square, Boston; after having received Holy Communion at their respective churches.

Tickets are $1 and may be obtained by calling the following:

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It Wasn't Pete's Fault; It's Us That're Busy

HELLO, FOLKS:

Well, I finully got here! I felt awful bad 'bout not showin' up las' week, but there wasn't a thing I c'd do 'bout it. What's a mere cirkalashun manajer amount t' when th' sekratary has other things t' do.

I came 'round as ushul las' week but I was tol' t' run along on akkount uv becuz Miss Sekratary was too busy doin' somethin' else that couldn't wait 'n besides she said she wasn't in enny mood t' be bothered with me. So, knowin' her 'n her moods, I thought it'd be jus' as well t' let it go f'r once 'n get out from under her feet. I s'pose sometimes I am a noosunce 'n what with th' heet 'n all these days I guess ennybuddy'd get a littul iratubul.

In August, they call these kinda days "dog days," I've been told. Seems t' me we dogs don't feel th' heet enny more than our staff does. Lookin' 'round 'n about me this mornin', I'd say I'm jus' about th' kooles' persun here. Uv korse I don't hafta pound a typriter 'r wear a coller 'n nektie 'n all th' rest uv th' parfernalya y' folks do, so it's no wunder I'm kool.

Well, enuf 'bout me 'n th' wether. Let me tell y' 'bout th' swell setup we jus' got at home. Boy, it's th' thing, I'm tellin' y'. Wait til y' come up 'n see it. Y' know Dad likes t' sit 'n watch th' trafik out on Woodwerd Avenoo 'n Mother likes t' sit out 'n enjoy th' garden, but they don't have enny porch t' sit out on since th' house was remoduled las' year, so it looked like they were gonna hafta jus' sit on th' inside 'n look on th' outside through th' windows 'til they got a bright idee.

I guess maybe my house sittin' out so nice 'n cozy-like under th' trees gave 'em th' idea. Well, ennyway, it wasn't jus' an idea very long, Nosirree. First an idea 'n then presto! a realuty! 'Speshully when Pal's Boss gets on th' job. So now they have a cute littul room out in th' backyard all skreened in 'n with an awnin' over it 'n all around it if they wanna have it down t' keep th' light out 'n it has a few kumfertuble chairs 'n tabuls 'n reedin' lamps 'n a radio 'n magazeens 'n ev'rythin' t' make a swell place t' lounge 'n keep kool. There it sits under th' trees 'n surrounded by flowers 'n pretty bushes jus' like a littul play house. It's nice t' have my folks out in th' yard like that with me — sometimes I sorta get lonesome out there all by myself.

I s'pose I'll have plenty uv kompuny in a few weeks now. Are y 'all komin' up on those speshul toors f'r th' selebrashun of SOCIAL JUSTICE's Founder's Silver Joobalee?

I shure hope all who can will, 'cause I know it'd make him feel that all his work 'n worry t' make SOCIAL JUSTICE a magazine that is uneek in th' literary world was well worth th' effert.

Th' reports on th' renooals 'n new subskripshuns is very enkeragin'. Thanks f'r th' ko-operashun. This bookay uv subskripshuns'll have th' place uv honor on June 29th.

Well, I guess I'd better skip along. I'll see y' nex' week — I hope.

— Pete.

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Comment

Our Leader's Pentecostal Pronouncement

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S Pentecostal pronouncement, which brought down the unholy spirit of Mobilization Day upon America, was both direct and indirect, specific and non-specific, clear and cloudy.

The direct, specific and clear content of the speech is evident to all.

The indirect, non-specific and cloudy content of the speech requires future events and confirmations to dispel the confusion it has created in many minds.

The President definitely committed America to a policy of defense in the words: "Hitlerism (must be kept) away from any point in the world which could be used and would be used as a base of attack against the Americas." Then, placing the finger of his tongue upon the map of the world, he mentioned Dakar, the Azores, the Cape Verde Islands — localities which should be counted as a beginning — not as an end — of places at which the defense of the Americas will begin.

Although present events indicate the strong possibility favoring the adoption of the principles of totalitarianism or Hitlerism in Europe, Asia and North Africa — the major portion of the world — Our Leader said: "We will not accept a world, like the post-war world of the 1920's, in which the seeds of Hitlerism can again be planted and allowed to grow."

If he means what he said — and no one has the right to presume that he does not mean it — Mr. Roosevelt has blue-printed our engagement in a world war to the death.

Thus, in plain language, he committed us to a national policy which staggers the mind. Said he:

"Our national policy today, therefore, is this:

"First, we shall actively resist wherever necessary, and with all our resources, every attempt by Hitler to extend his Nazi domination to the Western Hemisphere or to threaten it. We shall actively resist his every attempt to gain control of the seas. We insist upon the vital importance of keeping Hitlerism away from any point in the world which could be used and would be used as a base of attack against the Americas.

"Second, from the point of view of strict naval and military necessity, we shall give every possible assistance to Britain and to all who, with Britain, are resisting Hitlerism or its equivalent with force of arms. Our patrols are helping now to insure delivery of needed supplies to Britain. All additional measures necessary to deliver the goods will be taken. Any and all further methods, or combination of methods, which can or should be utilized, are being devised by our military and naval technicians, who, with me, will work out and put into effect such new and additional safeguards as may be needed."

The above paragraphs announced a policy to defend the Western Hemisphere against every attempt by Hitler to extend his Nazi domination thereto; and an international policy designed to assist Britain and every other nation resisting Hitlerism to the extent that American patrol — and all additional measures necessary to deliver the goods to these nations — will be used.

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Words could not be clearer. They simply mean that, at the judgment of one man — Mr. Roosevelt — America must stand ready to clash with Hitlerism wherever this hemisphere appears to be threatened by the forces of totalitarianism.

No other interpretation can be wrung from the President's fireside chat delivered last week unless we should follow the proclivities of wish-thinkers who are of the opinion that Our Leader's bark is worse than his bite; that he does not mean what he says.

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From now on sane Americans must face the fact that we have been committed to an undeclared war not attributable entirely to the decision of Mr. Roosevelt, but to the supine Congress whose members — within the past four years — conceded powers to Mr. Roosevelt in order to retain their fleeting patronage and favor.

From now on, the figures of Adolf Hitler and Franklin Roosevelt stand high above the horizon of all human affairs.

Stalin, Mussolini, Churchill — all other lesser peaks — have fallen into the sphere of gray twilight and soon will be engulfed in the darkness of the theater of this world to watch with the rest of us the Titanic battle waged by two men for world supremacy.

Hitler's forces will follow Hitler.

Roosevelt's forces will follow Roosevelt.

God alone knows the outcome resulting from Our Leader's Pentecostal pronouncement.

God alone knows where the spirit of war which has descended upon us will lead us.

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Direct, specific and clear was that portion of the President's speech which informed the citizens of this nation that, until further notice, we are living under a national emergency.

In the name of democracy — and without being consulted — we are straightjacketed in a dictatorship.

In the name of democracy this national emergency permits Our Leader to project us into an undeclared war when 82 per cent of the citizens were and are opposed to war.

In the name of democracy a minority has gained control of our life.

Nevertheless, he who is brash enough to contest this direct, specific and clear portion of the President's pronouncement must consider himself rebellious and froward.

Within the next twelve months every man, woman and child in the United States of America will have a better understanding of the word "regimentation." By that time, every one of us will be in the army operating under the direction of our Commander-in-Chief, Our Leader, our President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, engaged in a personal contest with Adolf Hitler.

The indirect, non-specific and cloudy portion of the presidential Pentecostal pronouncement related to our domestic affairs. While Mr. Roosevelt chided participants in disputes "between capital and capital, labor and labor, or capital and labor"; while he intimated that the strong arm of the law would deal harshly with those engaged in strikes, yet, in the next breath, he emphasized that "the future of all free enterprise — of capital and labor alike — is at stake."

It is expected that from time to time Our Leader will both amplify and clarify those parts of his fireside chat which are open to more than one interpretation.

The first of these came quickly in a press conference which took the edge off the threat of a labor "crack-down."

The contrast between Mr. Roosevelt's frank views to the press and the "alien" tone of his public address, is eloquent of the pressure put upon our Executive by the group who "helped" him write it.

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Comment

Christians Face Facts

Fear or Cowardice

IN GIVING utterance to his Pentecostal pronouncement, the President referred to fear. Time and again, Mr. Roosevelt has said that the "only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

Mr. Roosevelt's philosophy on fear is not Christian—rather it is heretical—if taken in the sense that the virtue of fear is to be designated as a vice.

Fear is, definitely, a virtue.

Fear, related to both faith and hope, is a gift of the Holy Ghost; by no means the least of the seven gifts brought to a material-minded world on the first Pentecost.

We are speaking of the only fear with which we, as Christians, are acquainted—fear of God, which is the "beginning of wisdom."

Fear of man and material things is spelled by us with the letters: "C-O-W-A-R-D-I-C-E."

In other words, human fear (by which we mean fear of men) or fear of humanity (i.e., material things) is a vice more properly called cowardice.

Fear of the lash, and the lion's claw, was unknown to the early Christians.

So was fear of Nero's "F.B.I."

So of Nero's political party—his "new deal."

Before, and during, our days, fear of temporary insecurity, fear of poverty, fear of social disparagement, fear of political displeasure, has marked every Jewish reform from Marx to Trotzky, in the excogitation of their materialistic philosophy.

It never has entered their minds that Christ came into the world not to dissipate the inequalities of worldly wealth, but rather to enable us, His followers, to face these inequalities and override them, with faith in the doctrine of an Eternal Reward and hope of actually acquiring it.

Mr. Roosevelt's "pentecostal pronouncement" was infiltrated with fear—fear of Hitler; fear of "invasion"; fear of losing our superiority of world trade.

Again, may we remind you that for the Christian human fear is spelled with the nine letters "c-o-w-a-r-d-i-c-e."

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Every Marxist in Europe strives to retain his position through the whip of fear.

It is the OGPU in Soviet Russia.

It is the *Gestapo* in Nazi Germany.

It is the British Secret Service in England.

And in America, New Deal Marxism attempts to sustain its domination, even over majority opposition, through the agencies of the F.B.I. and the multiple investigators associated with the Treasury Department.

At what date the Christians of America will recognize the heresy attached to Mr. Roosevelt's fear philosophy is unknown.

Nevertheless, he has used the whip, the lion's claw and the knout of propaganda, publicity and reprisals against all those who had the courage to dare to contest the New Deal's war-mongering.

It was used as a threat—at least indirectly—against radio stations whose lives depend on the approving nod of the Federal Communications Commission.

It was used—at least indirectly—against certain publishers who were warned against a given attitude taken by their papers and threatened with the discontinuance of advertising upon which the publication depends to live.

It was used in the case of Colonel Lindbergh.

It will be used in the case of Senator Wheeler.

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Lest the reader be of the opinion that these thoughts originate in the editorial offices of SOCIAL JUSTICE National Magazine, may we corroborate them by some quotations from a book by the Rev. David P. McAstocker, S.J., entitled *"The Consoler."*

This book, written in 1938, bears the ecclesiastical *imprimatur* of His Excellency the Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, then Archbishop of Milwaukee. Its publisher is the Bruce Publishing Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Father McAstocker's book deals with the Holy Ghost and His mission in general and in this chapter with the virtue of fear in particular.

Said he:

"The world is full of fear. Many modern European nations are able to exist solely because of the terror they inspire in their subjects. Secret police filter about in high places and low, alert for a derogatory remark against the reigning leader. One brother hesitates to express a frank opinion to another because the very walls seem to have ears and innocent words can be easily misconstrued into treacherous and unpatriotic utterances . . .

"We are rather complacent when it comes to the question of bravery," Father McAstocker continues. "Our eyes glow and our hearts beat a little faster as we recall the glories of the past. But . . . one of the astonishing facts of the radical upheavals in European politics is the meager evidence of courage among men of influence to oppose, and to keep on opposing openly and unafraid, the acts of persons and parties that have somehow obtained control of that fearsome force which men call the State.

"What we assert of countries afar off can be likewise predicated of conditions in our own land. We have not yet (1938) the radically accomplished fact, but we have in evidence all the vicious means that can easily make such an overturn possible. A deep unrest is noticeable among the masses. There are the bomb throwings of revolutionists from without, in the form of incendiary pamphlets and inflammatory speeches. And, *worst of all, there is apathy within and a fear of the world which paralyzes the actions of the majority of Christians.*

"We rave about regimentation abroad; but we take little or no concern in respect to our way of acting at home. Here the objective ethical goodness of an act does not bother us half so much as the smile of approval or the frown of disapproval in the countenances of our leaders. Men cling to parties rather than to principles. The legality or illegality of the means is lost sight of. Our whole attention is centered upon the end, upon success and the desired goal . . .

"The hearts of men and women of good will are deeply saddened these days as they reflect upon the almost universal reign of human fear or human respect in our midst. Where, they ask, is fear of God?

"It needs no profound thinker to compose a reply. The answer is simple, extremely so. In direct mathematical proportion as the fear of men increases, dread of the pleasure or displeasure of God decreases. And, *vice versa,* where the behests of the Creator are our first concern, human respect decreases.

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"There is another angle to the disastrous reign of worldly fear which should claim our attention. This right-about face from olden times, when the generality of mankind recognized their responsibilities and duties to the Maker, has occurred because Socialists and Communists have stressed and continue to stress our present existence. They want earthly bread and not heavenly manna. They desire the establishment of a kingdom on earth and cynically decline a future one in heaven.

"Fear, therefore, of God, presupposes an element of faith and of hope.

"These virtues, as Christians understand them, have no place among agitators of today. If there be eternal life to come, why should you or I or anyone else fear? Under such a supposition everything logically collapses. It is another way of saying that, *if Christ be not risen, our religion is in vain.*

When the keystone falls, the entire edifice crumbles to the ground.

"The iconoclasts who wantonly destroyed our temple of happiness, and erected on the site a stygian chamber of gloom, had two characteristics in common.

"To begin, from Karl Marx to Trotzky, we discover men of Jewish extraction as worldly reformers.

"Secondly, we note not only a self-same ancestry but we see the self-same philosophy of life. Every one of them preached about the importance of this short stay of ours on earth. Every one of them enunciated in cold, cumbersome sentences a doctrine of gloom and despair.

"So somber, so depressing is the picture they painted that one is greatly surprised not to find some of them at least following the example of Judas Iscariot who committed suicide. This tendency we still find in the writings of present-day agitators.

"When we carefully analyze the causes of our imperfections and sins we readily perceive that a great majority of them spring from the false premise of Marx and his followers. We have an inordinate love for this present life and the things that belong to the present life. For whosoever loveth the world is thereby made an enemy of God for 'the charity of God is not in him.'

"Such a fear of men and of their power to hurt us can easily constitute a grave sin, as when we choose to forego eternal life in order to gain some temporal advantage as health, wealth, reputation, pleasure; or when we refuse to undergo temporal losses, as pain, shame, persecution, and death, though God's honor and our neighbor's welfare clearly indicate such a course to be the only one open to us.

"To dissipate then the clouds of pessimism and defeat, to oppose the devastating plague of 'human respect' which encircles us, there is but one remedy—respect for God and the things of God. This, and only

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Let's Look at the Record

Fr. Coughlin Told You; What Did You Expect?

FATHER COUGHLIN predicted on October 22, 1939:

"Possibly the majority of persons in this audience are not aware of the powers now enjoyed by the President of the United States—powers conceded to him particularly since 1933. They are not war powers. They are emergency powers. The *Constitution of the United States* concedes almost dictatorial powers to the President in times of war. But the Congress of the United States — particularly since 1933 — has vested the President with almost equal dictatorial powers to be used at his discretion *during times of an emergency.*

" . . . If an emergency of an economic nature is declared to exist by the President of the United States, this Government, for all practical purposes, will degenerate into a dictatorship. I maintain that if we lift the embargo on arms and munitions this action will be the cause which, in turn, will create an emergency.

"My reasoning proceeds in this manner: Lifting the embargo on arms and munitions means that we will become a target for the hundreds of thousands of Communists and their supporters in this country, and becoming a target for them means that we will experience the dynamiting of our factories, the blowing up of our bridges, inspired strikes and industrial disorder. This means that an emergency will have been created. This means that an occasion is afforded to the President to establish a dictatorship over industry, labor, agriculture, finance, communications and almost every phase and function of our national life.

"Mark well that I did not say that this dictatorial power would be enforced if and when war is declared. I said it would be invoked when an emergency occurs. Consequently, by lifting the embargo and thereby creating an emergency we are taking the first step towards the dissolution of our democracy.

"I confess that I sound like an alarmist in making such a statement.

"Men were alarmists fifteen years ago when they tried to warn America of the danger of Communism.

"Men were alarmists ten years ago when they tried to warn the world what would follow as a result of the *Peace Treaty of Versailles.*

"Men were alarmists five and six years ago when they demonstrated that bankruptcy would be the outcome of the policies which were being practiced.

"Perhaps, Cassandra-like, men are alarmists today when they point out what is about to happen to this free nation if we persist in reaching for 'fools' gold' and in engaging in the blood business."

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Father Coughlin said September 17, 1939:

"Now, it is my personal opinion, based on what has happened, that if we include a provision for cash-and-carry in a *Neutrality Bill,* we will have taken the first step which, as in 1914, inevitably will lead us into war with all its horrors. In reality, cash means credit; and credit breeds "carrion'—'c-a-r-r-i-o-n.'

"Why are the advocates of this perilous policy so anxious to have it passed and signed by the Chief Executive? They will tell you that it will give work to the unemployed. Certainly, it will give them work —work in factories for six months, for twelve months—and, then—then — work in the trenches killing their fellowmen or feeding the rats with their shattered, mangled bodies.

"They will tell you that it will preserve our democracy against the assaults of Hitler. But while these professional propagandists within the very precincts of Government smoke-screen the public with such deceit, they are preparing to destroy democracy. I repeat that statement: They are preparing to destroy democracy. And to support it, let me condense for you a book recently published by Leo M. Cherne—a book which bears the sanctioning foreword of no one other than Louis Johnson, the Assistant Secretary of War. Ponder, therefore, upon these disclosures: If the American people go into another war—so this book indicates with the sanction of the Assistant of the Secretary of War—if this country goes into another war, our citizens must expect to live under a form of regimentation unparalleled in the history of the United States or any other nation.

"1. Voluntary enlistment will be tolerated for a few months and then conscription will follow.

"2. Those who do not fight will be told where to work and how to work.

"3. Their wages will be regularized by the Government as is done in Germany and Russia today.

"4. Travel within the country will be prohibited to all workers without specific permission from the Government.

"5. Women and children will be put to work in the steel mills, in the munition factories, in shops and on farms so that production essential for warfare will not suffer when their husbands, fathers, sweethearts and sons will be regimented for cannon fodder.

"6. Prices will be set within certain specific limits under the guise of preventing war profits; and these prices may cover all goods or may be confined to food, clothing, shelter and the essentials of life: This point is now being debated in Washington by the War Resources Board.

"7. All private financial transactions will fall under the microscopic scrutiny of the war commissar who will forbid any transaction which they consider inimical to the national defense.

"8. Rents will be fixed both for the tenant and the owner. Home builders, probably, will require the permission of the Government to proceed with their projects.

"9. The supply of electricity for homes may be limited or rationed or cut if the Government decides that it needs power for defense purposes or for munition factories.

"10. Trips on motor buses, airplanes and railroads will be subject to the decision of the transportation commissar and will depend on the demand for transporting men, munitions and materials for the army.

"Such, my fellow citizens, is the program prepared for us—a ten point program that will be executed contingent on the passage of the cash-and-carry proposals which, to my mind, will terminate in war. Such is the program outlined in a book entitled *'Adjusting Your Business to War,'* and which bears the benediction of the Assistant Secretary of War, Mr. Louis Johnson."

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Father Coughlin said October 15, 1939:

"To my mind, this is an inopportune time to engage in fighting the anti-capitalist nations abroad because too many citizens in Britain, France and the United States have been and still are victims of the abuses of capitalism and, as such, will be glad to seize the first reasonable opportunity to destroy it in its entirety. To my mind, if we encourage Britain and France to proceed with this destructive war, we are doing these empires a disservice by inviting upon them and ourselves the curses of Communism.

"Others entertain an opposite view. They claim that Capitalism, plus its abuses, can win. For example, in private governmental and financial circles it is now said that if an absolute *Neutrality Act* is written embargoing arms and munitions it will not only mean the loss of our capitalist investment abroad; it will not only mean the possible defeat of Great Britain and France; it will mean the ruination of our capitalistic system at home. It is explained that 10-million idle men will be on our hands; that our foreign trade will come to a standstill; that more borrowing by the Government will be required to sustain the dole system; and that we will be faced with possible bankruptcy. That we cannot borrow any more from the private banking interests at home and preserve our capitalistic financial liquidity is granted.

"Thus, the dilemma and its solution. It is this: 'Little by little let us engage in war on the side of Great Britain and France. If we manufacture munitions at a profit, it will not be necessary to abandon our system of money predicated upon debts and our industrial system predicated upon monopolies. The only sacrifice that will be entailed will be the loss of a few thousand lives and of our so-called democracy. At least, international capitalism will be saved.' That, my friends, is their illogical hope; for, to my mind, 'all will be lost.'

"Probably all of us have overemphasized the menace of lifting the embargo as contained in the Administration's *Neutrality Bill.* Probably all of us have underestimated the menace of dictatorial powers which this same bill grants to the President of the United States. The whole *Neutrality Bill* is shot through with powers of an undemocratic, unconstitutional nature. Now, the international capitalists planned it that way. They know that 'democracy' must be liquidated to save their gold racket and money dictatorship.

"Thus, if we take the first step which leads to the inevitable step of war, democracy is ended; dictatorship and regimentation will be the order of the day. Of that be certain.

"Professor William Oualid, in his book, *'What Would Be the Character of a New*

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Roosevelt *versus* Hitler

THE LEADING comment elsewhere in this edition (Page 3), relative to Mr. Roosevelt's "pentecostal pronouncement," indicates that the international contest is now boiling down to one between two personages—Hitler and Roosevelt.

At present, Mr. Roosevelt represents the international bankers, the gold traders and the international war-mongers, who were responsible, in the first instance, for creating Hitler.

Hitler represents the anti-capitalists—the anti-internationalists, as we call them—and the labor faction throughout the world.

That he is a good representative will not be conceded; nevertheless, when the crucial hour strikes in America, Mr. Roosevelt will not be blessed with the unanimous support of the American labor movement.

The minority for whom he speaks, and whose representatives helped him write his speech, will find more cause for alarm in America than they found in Germany.

Our international contemporary, the Anglophile *Christian Science Monitor,* gives way to a quite un-British bit of enthusiasm in these words:

"So far in this struggle the American people have responded alertly and vigorously as its nature became more apparent . . . Right now *they are almost cheering for tremendous new taxes.*"

Well, a *gasp,* maybe, we will concede; but hardly a *lusty cheer!*

This Hits YOUR House

THEY tell us that we must go to war to prevent the spread of totalitarianism to this country, comments an editorial in the *Chicago Tribune,* which adds:

"That doesn't make sense."

"Congress," the *Tribune* continues, "has just enacted a law which gives the President absolute control over the deliveries of all sorts of industrial materials and products. This is known as the *Priorities Control Law.*

"As the bill was originally passed in the Senate, it forbade the President to search private homes without a warrant. Upon the insistence of Administration leaders, *this provision was eliminated in conference!*

"Bang goes the *Fourth Amendment* unless Mr. Roosevelt's Supreme Court decides against him.

"Senator Danaher said the law will be used as a pretext for all kinds of unwarranted searches.

"The new law," continues the *Tribune,* "is intended to give our Executive the same right to raid a home that the Fuehrer enjoys in Germany.

"Those who want us to go to war to prevent the spread of totalitarianism to our shores have accepted this aspect of totalitarianism without so much as a murmur of protest . . .

"The New Dealers are prepared to invade private homes to search and seize . . . Those who think that once the crusade has been won we can then return to our former freedom have not considered how difficult the transformation will be in a time of unrest and bankruptcy."

'Baiting the President'

THE MAJORITY of the people who want war in this country are those who disregard public opinion, observes the *Boston Post* (established in 1831). The editorial goes on:

"They do not think that the public is bright enough to rule its own lives and affairs.

"Mr. Roosevelt, however, is not of that mind. He does not like to run against the stream of public opinion. It is the only power that he cannot whip in a knockdown, drag-out fight.

" . . . When history is written," continues the *Post,* "all these little voices which have been piping loudly and more loudly in favor of war will be still. Their work will have been performed; and they will go back to the snug berths which they generally occupy.

"The resentment, the slurs, the stabs and the attacks"—and if we may interject, *the responsibility*—"will have to be borne by Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

"He is well aware of this.

"We hope that the President will not be stampeded, as President Wilson was, by the cries of the war enthusiasts.

"For every loud voice in Washington for war, there are 100 prayers offered up in the homes of America for peace."

God's Gunners

WHAT do you know of noise?

Perhaps you've heard the roar of naval guns . . . the shunting box-car-like detonations of bursting bombs . . . the staccato barking of anti-aircraft, or the rattle of machine-gun fire . . . and think them the most terrible sounds in all the world.

But, listen, and above them you will hear the clink of gold, the scratching of a pen . . . or, perhaps, you've heard a statesman, a patriot, plead his country's cause in living words, with periods that stirred your very soul . . . or, heard an anguished mother's shriek as she clung to the broken body of her child . . . and think you know the cause of wars.

But, listen and there comes a whispering . . . as sly old men meet secretly to plot the course . . . the loudmouths who strut at heads of governments must follow . . .

So, Rookie, if you would become an artillery-man in the Army of the Lord, get on your toes . . . and with fingers in your ears, shout your protest to the world!

Whatdya Mean, 'Fear'?

THESE are busy days for the editor of a national magazine.

This edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE is going to press over the Memorial Day week-end.

President Roosevelt has declared an "unlimited national emergency," announced in a speech wherein he talked about fear.

Senator Wheeler (Page 15) says the President's speech created fear.

In even more forthright terms Senator Johnson said the same thing.

A comment elsewhere in SOCIAL JUSTICE (Page 4) says that fear of God, a gift of the Holy Ghost, is the only "fear" a confirmed Christian recognizes.

Speaking of fear—the day's newspaper headlines shriek of close-kept secrets which, Government spokesmen say, justify fear of a nation-wide wave of "sabotage." Details are suspiciously absent.

Camps Custer and Dix were closed to relatives coming to visit their sons for the holiday. Army officers said it was "only practice."

Ambassador Winant is home with a personal message for the President from Winston Churchill so "hot" that it could not be entrusted to transmission by code through the diplomatic channels.

Just maybe, the "emergency" is necessary to cushion this war-minded nation against the shock of a sudden peace in Europe's war.

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Comment

Reds in the C.I.O.

WHILE the Administration's ultra-liberals and their mesmerized followers continue to hang the label of "labor-baiter" on persons demanding a house-cleaning of the C.I.O., Representative Joe Starnes of Alabama recently inserted in the *Congressional Record* a list of 38 workers' organizations that have publicly endorsed the Communist Party program.

He singled out James Lustig and James Matlis, C.I.O. officials included in the list, for special condemnation.

The Congressman charged that through investigation he had learned that Lustig fomented a work stoppage at the J. Sklar Manufacturing Company, a surgical equipment firm.

"Lustig deliberately planned that one or two of the men in the plant should act insubordinately and compel the company to discharge them. When this was done, the next step was to use the discharge as an occasion to incite the employes to go on strike. I say that this Communist maneuver was conspirative, premeditated and provocative in the fullest sense. It is illustrative of what even a few Communists are able to do in the service of Adolf Hitler so long as they are tolerated — yes; even welcomed — in the leadership of the C.I.O."

The Communist *Daily Worker* quoted a statement signed by the 38 organizations as follows:

"Only the Communist Party, as the party of the working class, represents the interests of the entire working population, stands squarely on the principle that the provision of adequate food, clothing and shelter, and the defense of the rights and living standards of the workers, are the primary issues in this campaign [New York municipal election] . . . No other (party) has shown daily its stubborn and ceaseless fight in the shops and streets for the needs of the masses."

Following is the *Daily Worker's* list of unions and other groups, together with their leaders, who have endorsed the Reds' ticket:

"Needle Trades Industrial Union: Ben Gold, general secretary; Louis Hyman, president; Irving Potash, secretary; Isadore Weisberg, manager, dress department; Joseph Boruchowitz, manager of cloak department; Samuel Burt, fur dressing department; Ben Stallman, organizer of bathrobe department; Dominick Montello, organizer of custom tailors.

"Steel and Metal Workers Industrial Union; James Lustig, organizer; James Matlis, secretary.

"Marine Workers Industrial Union: Ray Hudson, national secretary; Thomas Ray, secretary.

"Food Workers Industrial Union: Jay Rubin, general secretary; William Albertson, organizer of hotel and restaurant department; Sam Kramberg, organizer of cafeteria department.

"Alteration Painters Union: Morris Kushinsky, secretary.

"Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union: Fred Biedenkapp, organizer; Isadore Rosenberg, secretary.

"Building Maintenance Workers Industrial Union; Mort Sher, secretary.

"Drygoods Workers Union: Louis Kfare, vice chairman; Chester Fierstein, chairman.

"Furniture Workers Industrial Union: Morris Pizer, secretary.

"Independent Carpenters Union: Isaac Berman, organizer; Herman Bogartz, secretary; Nathan Ellin, treasurer.

"Taxi Workers Union: Harold Eddy, organizer; Abner Feigin, financial secretary.

"Cleaners and Dyers Union: Max Rosenberg, secretary.

"Laundry Workers Industrial Union: Sam Berland, secretary.

"Building and Construction Workers League; Jack Taylor, secretary; Sam Nessin, general secretary.

"Trade Union Unity Council: Andy Overgaard, secretary; Rose Wortis, assistant secretary; Sheppard, organizer.

"Office Workers Union: Laura Carmon, organizer.

"Unemployed Council: Israel Amter, national secretary; Carl Winter, secretary of Greater New York; Richard Sullivan, organizer of Greater New York.

"International Labor Defense: William Lawrence, secretary, New York district; William Patterson, national secretary; William Fitzgerald, organizer; Harlem section.

"Workers International Relief: Pauline Rogers, New York City secretary; Alfred Wagenknecht, national secretary.

"Friends of the Soviet Union: B. Friedman, secretary.

"Anti-Imperialist League: William Simons, national secretary; John Bruno, secretary, New York.

"Anti-Imperialist Alliance: Y. Y. Hsu, national secretary.

"Workers Ex-Servicemen's League: Harold Hickerson, national secretary; Joseph Singer, secretary, city committee; Emanuel Levin, national chairman; P. Cashione.

"Council of Working Class Women: Clara Bodian, secretary; Clara Shavelson, educational director; Sarah Licht, organizing secretary.

"Labor Sports Union: Mack Gordon, secretary, New York district.

"International Workers Order: Max Bedacht, national secretary, Jewish section; Harry Schiller, New York City secretary; Sadie Doroshkin, secretary city central.

"Russian Mutual Aid: Joseph Soltan, president, New York district committee.

"English Workers Clubs: J. Landy, Edith Zucker.

"Finnish Workers Federation.

"Jewish City Club Committee: Abraham Laschowitzky, secretary; Harry C. Costrell, national secretary.

"Icor: S. Almazov, national secretary; Abraham Olkin, secretary, New York district.

"John Reed Club: Moe Brogin, executive secretary.

"Peu & Hammer: M. Vetch.

"League of Workers Theatre: Harry Elion, national secretary; Alfred Sacks, executive director."

Walter Winchell

"ONCE AGAIN Europe is rolling the loaded dice of destiny. And, once again, America is asked to play the role of international sucker.

"The time has come for us to pause and consider. If we must have another Unknown Soldier — let us not ask him to die for an unknown reason!"

The author?

Well — believe it, or not — it was Walter Winchell (150 newspapers, 8,579,000 circulation) in the *Reader's Digest* for June, 1939!

The Jergen's lotion "barker" went on:

"And just what will be accomplished by dying in the mud?

"He will not increase America's resources; the last war nearly ruined our fertile lands.

"He will not increase America's wealth; in the last war we loaned our gold and were gold-bricked in return.

"America must learn that her sons abroad will bring monuments to her glory — but her sons at home are a monument to her common sense.

"The future of American youth is on top of American soil — not underneath European dirt."

Thus, Walter Winchell, version of 1939.

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But, times have changed. The Jergen's war-monger has gone so far afield that certain editors — under pressure of their local readers — have banned some of the more hysterical of the Winchell syndicated articles from their papers.

This enterprising writer, at so many dollars per paragraph, is not only all out for Britain. More specifically, he is all out for Winchell — even at the cost of having some other Americans' sons slaughtered.

Lady Astor

LADY NANCY ASTOR, who accused Home Secretary Herbert Morrison of causing a "useless waste of lives and property" in German air raids, also declared that Britain was losing the battle even at home.

Said Her Ladyship:

"We are losing the battle on the home front and will go on losing it unless we are more active and speak fearlessly and try to get things right.

"I blame the whole government," she added. "It is time we got someone to fight this battle in Britain who has not such profound respect for local authorities."

(Morrison is former chairman of the London county council, whose control of fire brigades would be largely curtailed by the bill.)

"The minute a town has been blitzed the first thing the local authorities want to do is cover up their mistakes," the peeress said. "You let them cover up mistakes for six months. I wasn't going to have them covered at Plymouth [where Lady Astor is mayoress]. In London it is a public scandal. One local authority may be efficient, but another is useless."

Declaring that 12 towns had been "blitzbombed and burned," Lady Astor asked, "If a general lost 12 battles wouldn't you wonder whether you ought to get rid of him?

"If any one criticizes the government these days they are told they are defeatists or bought politicians or a fifth columnist. I am neither."

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'Revolt in the Desert'

Axis Cashing in on Blunders in Near East

GREAT BRITAIN is reaping the whirlwind from the seed of double-crossing and deception sowed in World War I, even as Lawrence of Arabia prophesied.

To win the support of the Arabs in the World War, the British government signed the now infamous *McMahon-Hussein Agreement* with the Arab leaders in the Near East.

Arab chieftains volunteered their service to Britain, to throw off the yoke of Turkish domination and to establish a Pan-Arabia, a sovereign independent nation to have comprised Iran, Iraq, Transjordania, Syria, Palestine and Amman. Establishment of this Arabian kingdom was to be the Arabs' reward for aiding the British to conquer the Turks and Germans operating in the Near East.

Soon after the Arabic agreement was signed, Mr. David Balfour signed an agreement with Chaim Weizmann, head of the World Zionist movement. In that agreement Britain sought to reward Weizmann for the discovery of a process for manufacturing acetone and for rallying the support of international Jewry. Hence, Britain promised to establish in Palestine a national homeland for the Jews.

Now, at the same time, the British government signed an agreement with France — the *Sykes-Picot Agreement* — in which Britain guaranteed to her ally, France, respect for French rights and control of Syria.

Thus, the subsequent agreements of the British government virtually invalidated the preceding pledge signed with Sherif Hussein, who represented the Arab chieftains.

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Through the years following the World War, Britain steadfastly refused to abide by either the Arab or Zionist agreements. The Arab "kingdom" contemplated in the *McMahon-Hussein Agreement* was broken up after the war into independent Iran, British-mandated and subsequently puppetized Iraq, independent but controlled Saudi Arabia, mandated Palestine and Transjordania, and French-controlled Syria.

Jews and Arabs dwelling side by side in Palestine fought each other in countless riots, revolutions and massacres, each faction claiming Palestine in virtue of pacts signed with their representatives.

The Near East was a fertile field for nationalism, revolution and axis agitation—Communist, Nazi and Fascist.

When the present war broke out, Britain sought to consolidate all Arab groups into a united front against axis aggression. Many of the Arab rulers, however, refused to become allies of Britain, unless Britain signified a willingness to carry out the terms of the old *McMahon-Hussein Agreement.*

The British Secretary for the Colonies promised the Arab chieftains that Britain would carry out her pledges *immediately after the war;* providing the Arabs would now become allies of the "democracies" and take up the war against the axis.

The Arab chieftains pointed out that Britain had made the promises during World War I, and had years to carry them out; but that Britain steadfastly had opposed all attempts to establish their Pan-Arabia. Therefore, the regents of Araby decided that Great Britain *must first show evidences of sincerity and good will* by actually abiding by the terms of the agreement before the tribesmen of the Near East would fight and die for the preservation of the British and French empires.

Britain had committed her first great sin of World War II—a diplomatic sin which will have to be expiated in Britain's loss of her colonies in the Near East.

British imperialism created the present smouldering Arab revolt and axis attack on the Near East—a revolt and attack which already have materialized in Syria, Iran, Iraq, and Palestine.

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Italy has established herself as the protector of Islam. Fascist "pegged" radios were distributed to Arab tribesmen, so they could listen only to inspired Fascist broadcasts.

British Intelligence officers discovered that Fascist agents were stirring up civil strife in Palestine and providing Arabs with Italian weapons.

French agents discovered that Italian agents were fomenting trouble in Syria and Tunisia with a view to precipitating a revolt which would furnish the axis with a pretext for interfering on the side of the revolutionaries.

Germany, it is charged, sold arms, munitions and supplies, seized in Poland and Czechoslovakia, to the Arab dissidents, in preparation for an Arab revolt combined with axis aggression.

Arab troops in Palestine, mostly irregulars trained by German officers, were led by reported Nazi agents in attacks on Zionist Jews in Palestine. German agents also have worked for a long time among the Arabs of Syria, even under the eyes of the French governors.

The axis agents worked among the Arabs under the direction of Franz von Papen, Reich ambassador to Turkey, and von Hilfering, German Minister to Beyreuth.

A German economist, archeologist and ethnologist are said to have been the three top men in Nazi-Fascist *agit-prop* for the Arabs. These specialists in Arabic language, culture and history followed the *technique* of Col. Lawrence, step by step, noting especially Lawrence's recriminations and accusations of British diplomatists for betraying the natives' trust.

The Germans have long admitted that Col. Lawrence of Arabia was the one man responsible for the defeat of the combined Turkish-German armies in the World War. Hence, in striving to deliver a death blow to the British Empire in the Near East and the Suez Canal, the Germans have followed Lawrence's strategy.

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The revolt of the Arabs was timed by the axis to take place immediately after the conquest of the Balkans; so that Nazi and Italian troops, operating in the Balkans, could be freed for operations in the Near East.

At a given signal the *coup d'etat* took place in Iraq; this was supposed to be the signal for the rising of all Arabs. German and Italian military experts rushed to Bagdad, to aid Iraqi militarists to defend their nation against the British. And the Iraqi minister of defense rushed to Ankara in a vain effort to enlist the support of Turkey for a pro-axis administration of Iraq.

Soviet Russia and Germany tendered official recognition to the government of the dissident Iraq.

Frustration of Arabic aspirations and ambitions have added fuel to the fires of Arab nationalism. From northern India, through Persia to Iraq, and thence down the deserts to the Arabian peninsula and North Africa, it has played its part in the persisting quarrel between the Nationalist wing of the Arab world and the influence of the Empire.

It has erupted periodically and persistently beneath the intermittent strife in Palestine. It found expression for years in the tricky relationship between Idn Saud, boss of Arabia, and the British in Egypt. It runs like a trail of gunpowder, all the way from Afghanistan to North African deserts.

The Arabs are by no means unified on this question. Hence, the Moslem press in India condemns Rashid Ali's uprising and the split in Iraq.

In Transjordania and Iraq, Britain has the advantage of dealing with Arabs whose States were created by the British as separate sovereign nations. She can thus "divide and rule." The two Arab States were set up deliberately to offset Britain's foresworn pledges.

Their Royal houses are by no means hostile to London. And finally, the Moslem Arabs have little use for the axis politically or ideologically. But German activity from Afghanistan to Egypt suggests the dimensions of the threat of Pan-Arabic revolution.

A Long Way From Berlin!

JUST a sample of the profound statesmanship abounding among the "let's-go-to-war" crowd in Washington:

Representative Josh Lee of Oklahoma, in the House of Representatives, (May 23) said: "The only thing that was wrong with the *Versailles Treaty* was it was too ladylike. The only thing we did not do was what Jack Pershing wanted to do—carry the hell of war into the nesting place of war, the spawning ground of war, and blow it to kingdom come!

"That was all that was wrong with the *Versailles Treaty*. But we left the spawning ground intact, and Germany started breeding more millions of the locusts of war."

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Comment

It Will Be Total War

"THE AMERICAN people will be fatally foolish if they make up their minds on the convoy issue in the light of wishful thinking," warns the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*

"Before them lie two tempting illusions," the editorial continues. "One is that convoys may not mean war. The other is that war, if it comes, may not mean all-out war.

"The President himself has said that, in his belief, convoys will mean war. Few persons familiar with the temperament of the American people will be under any illusion as to how they would react to a series of ship sinkings.

"What is less clear is that war would necessarily mean all-out war. There has been much talk of a war of 'limited liability.' The talk persists, even though its logic has been dented by recent history.

"England originally planned to fight a limited war. In 1938 Hore-Belisha, then War Minister, made a speech in which he said that never again would England send troops to fight on the Continent. She would fight a naval and economic war; France would furnish the soldiers. That illusion did not last long for England. But again and again we hear it applied to America.

"In his fireside chat of last Dec. 29, in which for the first time he discarded the 'short of war' thesis, President Roosevelt said: 'There is no demand for sending an American expeditionary force outside of our own borders. There is no intention by any member of your Government to send such a force.'

"In his radio speech of Tuesday night, Secretary of War Stimson gave the impression that we could fulfill our mission by using our Navy.

"Senator Pepper, in the Senate debate of the same day, said it would be possible at the risk of 'losing a few lives now,' to void the necessity of sending an expeditionary force later.

"It is important to review these statements — which lay down a war pattern which, in view of its limited sacrifices, a good many Americans might be ready to embrace — because of an unusually frank article by the Washington columnists, Alsop and Kintner. Ever since they published an account of Administration foreign policy under the title *'American White Paper'* — a title which no American newspaper man or book publisher would have the effrontery to use without clearance from the State Department or the White House — these men have been accepted as quasi-official spokesmen.

"In their column Wednesday, devoted to a 'report on just what this country is physically able to do about the war,' Alsop and Kintner stated:

" 'American preparation has not yet reached the stage at which an expeditionary force of any size can safely be sent out of this country, even to North Africa . .

" 'Although it is impossible to gather and equip a continental expeditionary force yet, the Army and Navy are quite adequately prepared to occupy and defend the Atlantic islands

"By sacrificing a few lives in convoys now, we shall be able to avoid sending an expeditionary force later. So run the public statements. But, according to columnists conceded to be close to the makers of foreign policy, the case is simply this: American preparations have not *yet* reached the stage at which we will be able to send an expeditionary force. The implication is that we will send one as soon as we are physically able.

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"The fact is, there is no such thing as fighting half a war. Many people thought in 1917 that we would send only token forces to France. We ended up by sending 2-million men, with 2-million more in training on this side . .

"Let no man delude himself that, if we enter this war, it will mean only sending supplies to Britain, using our Navy, or our air force, or a token expeditionary force. Such an idea proceeds . . . from thoughtlessness, ignorance or dishonesty.

"If we enter this war, we will enter it totally, with Navy, air force, expeditionary force and all our resources. And, once in, it will be a war to the bitter end, be that two or 20 years from now!"

'Buy British'

THE "Buy British" campaign in Washington, D. C., where a department store advertised British china, earthenware and porcelain at one-fourth the ordinary prices, prompted Representative Paul W. Shafer of Michigan to reminisce.

The campaign, he said, "recalls to mind that not so many years ago, Great Britain boycotted American-made merchandise, and during the boycott the countrysides of England were plastered with signs reading *'Buy only British-made goods!'* "

Is This Graft?

REPRESENTATIVE Engel of Michigan charged in the House that nearly $2-million was paid in overtime construction work at Camp Meade, Maryland, including some premium overtime for work not actually performed

Criticizing the wage scale at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, Mr. Engel said that the Secretary of Labor, Mme. Perkins, fixed the wage scale higher at Belvoir than she did at Camp Meade.

"Consequently," he added, "construction authorities at Meade said the only way they could hold their carpenters and laborers was to pay them in premium for overtime an amount equal to the amount of the differential in the wage scales between Camp Meade and Fort Belvoir."

Thus, an equal wage scale would have made the tremendous overtime at Camp Meade unnecessary.

Mr. Engel charges that the Government purchased 590 acres of land to enlarge Belvoir at $80 an acre — land "not worth $50 an acre!"

And he added that 90 per cent of the lumber used in the work was delivered f.o.b. over Army tracks to the camp at a cost of $4.50 per 1,000 feet, compared to $1.85 per 1,000 at Camp Edwards, Mass.

When the war is over, investigators will probe into the entire defense program and discover, possibly, that the extravagance, graft and incompetence associated with World War II were greater even than those identified with World War I.

There Will Be An Investigation

AT TRENTON, N. J., recently, Republican Minority Leader Joseph W. Martin, Jr., caustically indicted the New Deal administration demanding that the head of the Government "cease trying to deceive the people" by telling only half-truths dealing with the war problem.

His speech was regarded by many as proclaiming a new stand by the Minority Party which—for all practical purposes—has excommunicated the "arch-heretic," erstwhile candidate Wendell Willkie.

Said Mr. Martin:

"We can and must demand the truth about defense production."

He told his audience that the so-called voluntary censorship of the news is misused.

Martin made what was taken to be a reference to presidential criticism which led to Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's resignation from the army air corps reserve.

"There has been built up by means of clever and widespread propaganda the claim that it is unpatriotic, un-American, treasonable, to dare question a single statement or act of the Administration in regard to its policies on defense.

"That simply is the device of political bureaucrats who do not want the facts to be known to the people."

Discussing strikes in Army production, Martin said, "It is a waste of time to argue whether the fault lies with the employer or employe. We must demand that the work be kept going."

He assailed the "waste, corruption, graft, and incompetency," which he said had been found in defense expenditures and reiterated his demand for a full expose.

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Following the war into which we have already entered unofficially, there will be an investigation.

Possibly, it will result in the liquidation of this high-handed, pseudo-democracy which permits a well-organized minority, elected to office on false promises, to wreck this nation.

It is not far-fetched to envision the day when court martials will be in order—court martials which, legally or illegally, reasonably or unreasonably, will write the most gruesome page in American history.

As for the graft in America resultant from the war, Representative Truman of Missouri, who is chairman of the Senate Defense Investigating Committee, had reports placed on his desk that a certain dollar-a-year Government official has already profited from the purchase of commercial and pleasure ships sold to the Navy.

Mr. Truman told reporters that committee agents were investigating "at least three instances where persons connected with the defense program were reported to have purchased vessels which they turned over to the Navy at a tremendous profit."

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ALL AIM AT JUNE 29 CLIMAX!

EVERY CONTESTANT ASKED FOR MINIMUM OF 50 SUBSCRIPTIONS BY "JUBILEE" DAY AS TRIBUTE TO FATHER COUGHLIN

This is a special call to every reader of SOCIAL JUSTICE already entered in our great "JUBILEE" Contest—and to those who will enter this week and from now on.

WE WANT THOUSANDS OF SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM ALL SECTIONS OF AMERICA SENT IN BETWEEN NOW AND FATHER COUGHLIN'S JUBILEE DAY — JUNE 29!

We ask today that every contestant aim at sending in a minimum of FIFTY yearly subscriptions between now and June 29.

The management of SOCIAL JUSTICE wishes that this high tribute be paid to the founder of this magazine on the 25th anniversary of his Christian leadership!

We feel that every reader of SOCIAL JUSTICE, wherever he or she lives in this troubled nation today, joins with us in this wish.

We feel that every contestant will strive day and night until June 29 to add his or her quota to this tribute, the most substantial we can pay to Father Coughlin during this, his year of triumph.

If every contestant now entered in the great race turns in a minimum of FIFTY paid-up subscriptions, new or old, between now and June 29, there will be eloquent testimony to the fact that the magazine of TRUTH founded by the Priest of Royal Oak is widening its scope of influence in the United States.

This is not all:

It is our desire that EVERY READER of the magazine ENTER the Contest between now and June 29. The Contest is yet young. Any contestant, whether already entered or about to enter, has the opportunity of winning the First Grand Prize of $2,500.00; the Second Grand Prize of $1,500.00; the Third of $1,250.00; or any of the 106 Grand Prizes.

Last week you saw the names of contestants. This week you see more of these. Chances are there is yet nobody from your community represented in the Contest. This means a great chance for you. You can enter now and go along without competition. You will have the field to yourself.

There are three big reasons why you should become a contestant at once:

(1) As a tribute to Father Coughlin, who founded SOCIAL JUSTICE back in 1936.

(2) As an indication that you wish the TRUTH spread upon more and still more pages of SOCIAL JUSTICE — in our nation so filled with false propaganda today.

(3) To win fortune for yourself by landing among the prize-winners.

No more reasons are necessary. Any one of them should induce you — this very day — to use the Entry Blank and the "Start-Off" Subscription Coupon without further delay. Working materials will be rushed you at once.

Another point: During this first or "SUNRISE PERIOD," which ends on June 30, you earn an Extra Bonus Vote of 40,000 on each NEW yearly or two-year subscription you turn in.

All right. Get set — and get in.

And, whether already entered or about to do so, be sure to make this your aim between now and June 29—

A MINIMUM OF FIFTY YEARLY OR TWO-YEARLY SUBSCRIPTIONS!

These Prizes at the Finish!

FIRST GRAND PRIZE	$2,500
Second Grand Prize	1,500
Third Grand Prize	1,250
Fourth Grand Prize	750
Fifth Grand Prize	650
Sixth Grand Prize	550
Seventh Grand Prize	400
Eighth Grand Prize	300
100 Additional Grand Prizes	1,000
27 Special Cash Prizes	1,100
TOTAL CASH PRIZES	$10,000

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HERE ARE THE NAMES OF MORE CONTESTANTS

Today's list of contestants in no way shows a higher vote credit than merely the entrance credit of 5,000 Votes, the "Start-Off" subscription credit of 20,000 Votes and the Regular Vote Schedule credit. Subsequent printings of the names will show the vote credit more accurately.

This list is rushed into print in order that you may see whether or not one of your friends is in the Contest. If so, help him or her to win — and start to help right away.

It is safe to assume that YOUR city, town or community is NOT YET REPRESENTED on the list of contestants. What should this mean to you?

It should indicate unmistakably to you that YOU SHOULD ENTER AT ONCE — WHILE YOU HAVE YOUR HOME TERRITORY TO YOURSELF. There is $2,500.00 in cash waiting. Why not for you?

Next week we shall print more names. You can fill in right now the two coupons on the opposite page, send them in and — next week —

YOUR NAME WILL BE ON THE LIST!

CALIFORNIA

George A. Nusang, Los Angeles 35,000
John T. Raftery, Los Angeles 35,000

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Miss Helen Lavin, Washington 35,000

ILLINOIS

John M. Hogan, Chicago 35,000

INDIANA

Jos. M. O'Dea, Jr., Cedar Lake 35,000

IOWA

M. H. Billerbeck, Reinbeck 35,000

KANSAS

Fred Mumm, Selden 35,000

KENTUCKY

Miss Fannie Filiatreau, Louisville 35,000
Beatrice Mader, Louisville 35,000

MASSACHUSETTS

Mrs. James G. Connor, Pocasset 35,000
Elizabeth R. Corbett, Woburn 35,000
R. Nerino, Dorchester 35,000
Joseph P. Sylvester, E. Milton 35,000

MICHIGAN

Wm. E. Pankow, Detroit 35,000
Blanche Small, Flint 35,000
John Walsh, Detroit 35,000

MINNESOTA

Martin Marentie, St. Paul 35,000
Miss Ann Shaughnessy, Minneapolis 35,000
Ben Vincenz, St. Paul 35,000
Geo. W. Zimmerman, Minneapolis 35,000

MISSOURI

James Behan, St. Louis 35,000
Alice Clair May, Kirksville 35,000

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Oneida M. Russell, Newton Junction 35,000

NEW JERSEY

T. B. Corrado, Atlantic City 35,000

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Mary Briegel, New York City 35,000
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J. Sterbenz, Brooklyn 35,000
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Bernard Berwanger, Cincinnati 35,000
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William Leise, Millvale 35,000
Jos. J. Smyth, Philadelphia 35,000
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Wm. J. Zimmer, Sharon 35,000

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Mary Gay, Pawtucket 35,000
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WISCONSIN

J. H. Mead, Eden 35,000

RULES OF THE CONTEST

1. Any man or woman over 16 years of age, excepting employees or close relatives of employees of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine may become a contestant. The management reserves the right to reject objectionable nominations.

2. Any contestant may enter from the district in which he or she resides or from the district in which he or she is employed.

3. Contestants are not confined to their own district in which to obtain votes and subscriptions, but may take orders anywhere, and anyone may assist them. Contestants must make a cash report during each of the final two weeks of the contest.

4. Votes are not transferable from one active contestant to another active contestant. Contestants cannot withdraw in favor of other active contestants; nor can contestants give or transfer subscriptions to another contestant.

5. Votes will be issued on paid-in-advance subscriptions (new or renewal) for SOCIAL JUSTICE, including nomination coupons and free votes.

6. A NEW subscriber is one who was not taking SOCIAL JUSTICE by mail when the contest was announced. Votes are issued, subject to verification. Contestants who turn in old (or renewal) subscriptions marked "new" may forfeit votes received on such subscriptions.

7. No statement, assertion or promise, either written or verbal, made by any of the solicitors, agents, contestants or any other person, other than published in SOCIAL JUSTICE, will be recognized by the publishers or the contest management.

8. It is distinctly understood and agreed that all contestants will be responsible for all moneys collected, and that they will remit such amounts in full on schedule at frequent intervals, or on demand to the contest department.

9. Prizes are to be delivered to the winners as soon as the official judges announce the results of the contest. In case of a tie for any prizes the tying contestants will receive duplicate prizes or their equivalents.

10. The publishers reserve the right to place additional prizes on the list.

11. A cash commission of 10 per cent on all business done is guaranteed every participant. Cash commissions will be paid each candidate at the end of the Second Period and at the close of the contest. However, cash commissions paid will be charged against whatever grand prize the contestant may win, and must be liquidated or deducted from the final grand prize at the end. Contestants may not deduct commissions before sending in subscription money.

12. The contest opens at once and closes on August 26, 1941.

13. Any questions or controversies that may arise are to be settled by the Contest Manager, and his decision will be final and conclusive.

14. In case of typographical or other error, it is understood that neither the publisher nor the Contest management shall be held responsible, except for the necessary correction of same.

15. In accepting entrance, all candidates agree to abide by all the rules and conditions named; and to abide by the decisions of the judges as final.

EXTRA $100 PRIZE!

As a special inducement to contestants to "bear down" heavily during the next few days, there is a Special Cash Award of—

$100.00

This will be divided into a First Award of $50.00, a Second Award of $30.00, and a Third Award of $20.00.

These Special Prizes will be sent at once to the three contestants who turn in the greatest NUMBER of paid-in-advance NEW subscriptions up to and including Midnight of Saturday, June 14.

Please bear in mind, the count is on the NUMBER of new subscriptions and not on Votes or the amount of money turned in. Of course, all subscriptions count for the big prizes according to proper schedule credits. The names of winners of these Special Prizes will be announced at close of contest.

Contestants already entered or those now entering have equal opportunity to win these Special Prizes. So, go out and bring 'em in.

Schedule of Regular Votes

ON PREPAID SUBSCRIPTIONS TO

Social Justice Magazine

Subscriptions	Votes
6 months ($1.50)	4,000
1 year ($3.00)	10,000
2 years ($6.00)	30,000

The above are Regular Votes and will maintain the same values on both new and renewed subscriptions throughout the Contest.

BONUS VOTES

On each NEW subscription (2 years or 1 year), the following bonuses will be allowed:

40,000 EXTRA Votes up to June 30.
30,000 EXTRA Votes from July 1 to July 28.
25,000 EXTRA Votes from July 29 to August 11.
20,000 EXTRA Votes from August 12 to August 26.

Extra or Bonus Votes are issued and credited only after conclusion of the Contest.

BE ON NEXT WEEK'S LIST

"START OFF" Subscription Coupon

(Good for 20,000 Votes)

Return this Coupon to the Contest Manager with your first yearly subscription payment ($3.00), either old or new, and you will receive 20,000 Votes, in addition to the Votes allowed on Regular Vote Schedule.

Name of subscriber _____

Address _____

City or Town _____

State _____

(Your own subscription or renewal will count.)

This Coupon accompanied by the Entry Blank and your first yearly subscription (your own or somebody else's) will start you in the great Contest with 25,000 Votes, plus the Regular Votes on the subscription as shown in the Regular Vote Schedule. Only one of these Coupons will be credited to a contestant.

ENTRY BLANK

(Good for 5,000 Votes)

_____, 1941

Contest Manager,
SOCIAL JUSTICE,
Royal Oak, Michigan.

Please enter my name as a Contestant in your "JUBILEE" Contest. I understand this Blank filled out and sent in will entitle me to 5,000 Votes and that my first yearly subscription, old or new, will entitle me to 20,000 Votes.

My Name Is _____

My Address Is _____

City or Town _____ *State* _____

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The 'Protocols' Predicted It

Revolt Against Decency

"SALACIOUS and atheist literature form one of the Communists' most effective weapons in the destruction of Americanism and Christianity. The stream of lewd literature flowing out of Soviet sources is corrupting and undermining the morals of youth and the American system."

These were the statements made by Edward A. Hayes, past national commander of the American Legion, in an address before a convention of Christian women in Springfield, Illinois. Mr. Hayes pointed out that "more magazines containing pornographic literature are published in the United States than in any other country on the face of the earth. More than 100 of our magazines are banned as indecent in Canada."

In an article entitled "Revolt Against Decency" in the May edition of the *National Republic*, Mr. George A. Blasser says:

"Communism seeks to destroy all three of the basic pillars of civilization: constitutional government, the home and the church. To accomplish this goal, the revolution is carried forward on all three fronts. The revolt against the Government is coordinated with the revolt against religion and the revolt against decency. Youth is the 'cannon fodder' out of which the revolution is created. The widely heralded 'revolt of youth' has been a revolt against decency, as well as against God and constitutional government.

"The fostering of a 'literature of lust' — sometimes disguised as 'realism' or even 'surrealism' — is an important part of every revolutionary program. For two generations before the Russian revolution that unhappy land had been plagued by a literature which wallowed in indecency, abnormality, cruelty, sadism, vulgarity and squalor. Some of the writers who produced this literature were possessed of true literary genius, but their genius was worse than wasted in the fabricating of intellectual slums and pig-stys, in which youth were brought culturally and imaginatively to make their abode.

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"Lenin said that the French revolution was a 'dress rehearsal' for the Russian revolution. It was no accident that France, like Russia, had been morally debased by a 'literature of lust.' Most of the so-called 'realists' in the sphere of French arts and letters were, like the Russians, avowed revolutionaries. They produced novels and plays as 'propaganda for the cause.'

"The literary glorification of debauchery is as necessary to the advancement of the Communist cause as is organizing radical-controlled unions. Not by bombs and poison gas alone do the revolutionaries plot to seize power; smut and 'sewer gas,' dispensed through literature, the stage and the screen, are indispensable means to Communist conquest.

"After the successful Bolshevik revolution, a new literature of lust was sedulously cultivated by the Communist International throughout the world. In Soviet Russia, the 'new school of smut' was established, with well-organized branches throughout the English-speaking world. Every form of culture and civilization produces its own literature. The Christian culture in America and in England produced the literature of the Puritan period. High ideals, lofty standards of character, purity, integrity, love, patriotism, heroism and chivalry — these characterize the literature produced by a Christian culture. The great names in American and English literature are associated with the glorification of virtue, not of vice.

"In carrying out their program for the subversion of American society, the Communists have exercised every influence in educational, literary and publishing circles to foist upon our people a popular literature of atheism, libertinism and decadence.

"Through organized control of the channels of publicity, the rank of 'best selling' novels often has been accorded to those works which sink the deepest into the mire of immorality and outright filth. As I write, the most popular play being featured on the Broadway stage deals with the 'fine art of murder by poison'; its apparent purpose is to glorify crime. This time last year, the most talked-of play dealt with a glorification of prostitution.

"The Communists in America are just a decade or two behind their Russian comrades in bringing about a literary and artistic apotheosis of crime and carnality . . .

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"A literature glorifying animalism was produced by the revolution in Soviet Russia. It is, unquestionably, planned that a literature glorifying animalism will produce the revolution in America!

"Like 'jitterbug' music, literary 'realism' apparently aims to produce complete emotional anarchy. 'Anything goes.' 'A thrill at any price.' 'Get what you want by any means.' 'Do as you please.'

"Atheism, immorality, crime, even murder itself, are dealt with as a permissible 'design for living.'

"The literature of lust, as of atheism, in America, plainly has as its purpose the coarsening, cheapening and debasing of the mind and morals of youth, so as to 'harden up' and callous the conscience to the degree that it will 'stand anything' when the time comes for revolutionary violence.

"A generation fed and nurtured on plays and movies and novels featuring bloodshed and violence, cruelty and vice, debauchery and brutality — such a generation is likely to take for granted, to accept without wincing or resisting, the Soviet saturnalia, when it comes, with its bloodshed and violence, cruelty and vice, debauchery and brutality.

"If youth is taught to picture a reign of terror and animalism in imagination, he is not predisposed to turn away from the thing in actuality."

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The revolt against decency is the first phase of the Communist assault against American civilization, according to William J. Gross, noted newspaper writer and reviewer. In an address on *"Trends in Literature,"* he declared, "The smut school in literature of the last twenty-three years has simply been the shock-troop of the red revolution's vanguard."

According to Mr. Gross, the literary propagandists for paganism "found it impossible to persuade provincial perusers of the New York reviews that to be filthy was to be forward-looking, to be pagan was to be progressive, to be decadent was to be democratic, to be smutty was to be smart, to be hedonistic was to be humanitarian, to be cynical was to be socially conscious, and to be lecherous was to be liberal."

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In discussing this degeneration of American literature, Dr. Joseph R. Slavin, a noted literary critic, declared: "Modern novelists, such as Ernest Hemingway, John Dos Passos, James Joyce, William Faulkner and James T. Farrell are nailing man to a cross. They are giving support to Communistic professors in our great American universities who are poisoning the minds of our younger generation by degrading humanity, stripping from man his spiritual nature."

Reviewing Hemingway's book, *"For Whom the Bell Tolls,"* Dr. Slavin said: "Hemingway's book leaves one depressed and filled with nausea, wondering if man has finally decided to throw off humanity and strut about in brutish masks . . .

"Hemingway's type of 'he-manhood' is a lustful, lecherous brute, addicted to alcohol and sexual profligacy. He is the embodiment of animalism. He is devoid of true spiritual and moral qualities. In reality, he is a coward and a cad, not an object for adulation and emulation of American youth.

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"The type of true manhood who made America great," the writer adds, "is not glorified — it is ridiculed — in much of our modern literature. One will often have to go back to the novels of an earlier generation to find him fictionally portrayed.

"The type of real he-man who built this nation was strong in self-control, severe in self-discipline . . . He combined courage with chivalry, and strength with tenderness. He was hard — but not hard-boiled. He was not profane. He respected women and revered God. He feared no man, but he lived in constant fear of the Lord. He did not think it old-fashioned to be honest; neither did he think it 'sissified' to be kind.

"He was a realist; he knew the hardships of life. But he clung to spiritual ideals. He was not ashamed to be clean and virtuous.

"If our distinctively Christian American culture is to live, we must have a literature which reflects and recommends it to the young. The current literature of lust reflects the animalism and moral anarchy of a generation under the red terror of Bolshevism and bestiality.

"To resist the present-day revolt against decency, two things are requisite. First, self-respecting, decent Americans must refuse to buy or to read the literature of lust; they must refuse to patronize theaters which pander to the forces of degeneration and decadence.

"Second, a new literature reflecting true Christian American culture must be created. Virtue, honesty, faith and decency must be made popular — in literature and in life.

"By the books that he buys and reads, by the way that he spends his leisure time, every American can make his influence count for or against the advance of the current revolt against decency in our nation."

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Comment

Communism In America

THE *Ave Maria,* Catholic home weekly published by the Holy Cross Fathers at Notre Dame University, carries an editorial article entitled *"Communism in the Schools."*

It might be regarded as food for thought for those who believe that "Communism is not growing in America."

"The Rapp-Courdet investigation of the New York schools uncovered so much Red influence among instructors that a resolution was presented at a meeting of the school board requiring all teachers to take an anti-ism oath," comments the *Ave Maria.* "The resolution was defeated by a vote of five to two. The board of higher education about the same time reappointed with permanent tenure Arthur Rosenburg to the department of history at Brooklyn College, although Dr. Lombardo made this statement before the reappointment:

" 'In his own book entitled *"A History of Bolshevism from Marx to the First Five Year Plan,"* Rosenburg states: 'At the time of the split in the Independent Social Democratic Party in Germany in 1920, I joined the Communist Party in common with the majority of the U.S.P.D. I was for years a member of the Berlin committee and the executive of the Third International. I was forced to resign in 1927.'

"It is obvious then that this Communist contributed his share to the destruction of the democratic Weimar republic and helped to make possible the advent of Hitler. I have documentary evidence in the form of a photostatic copy of a newspaper clipping which refers to Mr. Rosenburg as 'the foremost spokesman of the Communist Party in the reichstag.' "

"This is the type of professor that the school board is daily appointing to schools supported by the taxpayers of New York. Students are being instructed by men with the background of Mr. Rosenburg, who were nurtured in Communism and cannot fail to exude it. It is here that national defense should begin. We have repeatedly declared that it is useless to build airplanes and guns so long as such teachers are left in our schools to poison the wells."

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Incidentally — and this is too good to miss—the *Ave Maria* says in another editorial entitled, *"Motivating This War"*:

"At the St. Patrick's day distribution of the shamrocks presented by the Princess Royal to the Irish Guards serving in the British army, the Rev. Father Raymond O'Flynn delivered an address in London from which we cull these two sentences:

" 'Were the war undertaken for territorial gain or commercial supremacy, it would not be worth the sacrifice of a single Irish life. Were it undertaken for any motive which was not, constructively at least, a religious motive it would be even profanation to associate it with an emblem so sacred as the shamrock.'

"We do not question Father O'Flynn's sincerity. But sincerity alone does not establish a thesis.

"This war is fought 'for territorial gain or commercial supremacy,' or for both. And so has every war within our memory. The 'religious motive' is an afterthought projected by government leaders to give divine sanction to the drab business of man killing to maintain or to enlarge political boundaries."

Freedom in Reverse

WE quote *America Magazine* (May 10) as follows:

"Certain phases of the defense program occasioned wonderment in Congress. Sidney Hillman, co-head of the Office of Production Management, appointed Walter Reuther to be a member of the Advisory Commission on Labor Training in Industry.

"Addressing the House, Representative Walter C. Ploeser referred to evidence concerning Reuther released by the Dies Committee, which read: 'Walter Reuther, Detroit, Mich. He visited Soviet Russia and sent back a letter to this country which included the following paragraph: "Carry on the fight for Soviet America."

"Remarked Congressman Ploeser: 'The things I have read about Reuther make me wonder whether or not he should have a place in the defense program, when there are plenty of capable men in America who hold no such views as "carry on the fight for a Soviet America."'

"Mr. Ploeser also questioned the appointment of Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, to be a member of the Super-Defense Mediation Board. The Intourist Soviet Travel Agency listed Dr. Graham as a member of the Advisory Council of Soviet Russia's State University of Moscow summer school for training American students in Communism.

"Dr. Graham was named also as a chairman of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, identified by Earl Browder before the Dies Committee as a 'transmission belt' for Communist propaganda.

"Wonderment over these two appointments to vital defense posts succeeded previous Congressional amazement over J. Edgar Hoover's revelation that in the first deportation proceedings against Harry R. Bridges, alien Left-wing labor leader, James M. Landis, who conducted the proceedings, was not given legal authority by Secretary Perkins to administer oaths to witnesses. Following the Landis hearings, Miss Perkins canceled a deportation order against Bridges."

Those who are opposed to both Communism and Naziism, likely, will be "liquidated" before long in this country to make room for those who are upholding a new phase of Marxism.

What Our Youth Think

THE *Chicago Tribune* briefly expresses what many of our young men are thinking. It says:

"Cordell Hull, in charge of Mr. Roosevelt's war diplomacy, is 70. Henry Stimson of the War Department, who is trying to raise and equip a new American army for service abroad, is 73. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy Department, who is for war short of nothing, is 67. Mr. Roosevelt is going on 60 and his sons do not appear to be anywhere near the first bomb explosion. Carter Glass of Virginia, whose war spouting is canceling his record of service, is 83. Harold Ickes, whose official assignment is to call every American who thinks first of his own country a Hitler dupe, a fifth columnist, or an imbecile, is 67.

"These old men are prominent in the ranks of the ancients who are demanding that American youth be sent to the wars. They themselves have nothing to lose by their official acts or by their drum thumping. They may throw their country into deadly conflict and be unharmed by it.

"These old men will even be safe from the long consequences the war will impose upon the younger people who will have to fight it when they are young and pay for it when they grow older.

"These ancients will pass away while the people whose destiny they have shaped will be living through the long painful period. The young men would be willing to risk everything to save their country; they are not willing to try to save the world.

"It is a terrible thing for old men to inflict a war on a generation which should be protected from it, and should be protected by the very men who are acting otherwise. A country is fortunate when it can look to its old men for wise counsel and good advice. Our follies are the follies of men who should be the wise, elder statesmen."

Study in Contrasts

ONE thing that the Hess one-man invasion of Britain brought into sharp relief was the contrast existing between the German leaders and the American war leaders.

Last week's SOCIAL JUSTICE cited the World War record of the New Deal Cabinet.

The dignity of his office and his physical affliction invite respect and sympathy for our ailing President.

Vice-President Wallace, we learn, attempted to evade the draft in the last war.

Messrs. Stimson and Knox are colonels of the swivel chair type; but they do have a service record.

Harold Ickes—now a father for the second time—will be able to face the powder —baby powder—and that is all.

Mr. Morgenthau, strong on getting other men to do the fighting, but will do none himself.

Then, the contrast—

Hitler is often himself in the front ranks —facing shot and shell.

Goering is an able air marshal, actually flying his own plane and participating in the war.

And the "sickly" Hess taught the warmakers in America that the German warmakers can fly their own Messerschmidts and bale out as any common soldier is expected to bale out.

It is easy to make war when other men do the fighting.

At least, the Germans are superior to our war-makers in that they actually participate in the war.

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Comment

Father Coughlin Told You . . .

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War,' concisely explains in the following words why democracy must be abandoned in the event of another world war. He says:

"'Modern warfare implies the utilization of *all* the forces of the national collectivity: human, material, economic and moral.'

"He means that modern war calls for the total regimentation — industrial, financial and political—of the entire nation; for modern wars are 'total' wars. And by 'total' wars I mean that they are fought not only by armies in the field but by the entire populations in the homelands with the totality of their resources and liberties."

Father Coughlin said September 10, 1939:

"War production increases mass production. When wars terminate, mass production halts, unemployment increases, wealth vanishes and radicalism grows apace.

"Ah, yes, there is the rub—radicalism! Not that I condemn the laboring men for demanding a just, living wage and all that it implies; for they are within their rights in doing so. Nevertheless, following the last war when patriotic, learned leaders either failed labor or were unheeded by labor, millions of workmen were prone to follow either unpatriotic or unlearned leaders. Strikes multiplied, private property was seized, Government was defied and, in some instances, many of our oppressed fellow Americans grasped the blood-drenched hand of Communists.

"As a result of all this, our nation was in turmoil while the rulers of the nation persisted in clinging to the abuses of international capitalism which gave birth to the World War, to the *Treaty of Versailles*, to the rise of Stalin and Hitler and to the universal depression which ensued.

"Yes, those rulers have learned their lesson—the rulers of high finance.

"Therefore, see what has happened in England and France these last few weeks. Gone are their democracies, as they called them. A species of totalitarian government and finance has been instituted to fight the totalitarianism of Germany.

"And what will happen in America? If America becomes embroiled in this present war, I dare predict that emergency measures will be invoked to place us under a dictatorial Board of Commissioners from which we will never escape. This Board will take ample care that the radicalism which was an outgrowth of the last World War and its constant depression will never return. At least the invisible powers behind government have learned by their mistakes if the laboring classes did not learn by theirs. Be prepared, then, to taste the grapes of wrath and eat the black bread of totalitarianism.

"Ask yourselves who will win this war. And answer yourselves truthfully that no one wins it—least of all do the laborers and property holders win it. They and their sons mold cannon, man machine guns, bare their breasts to shrapnel, pay taxes, lose their jobs and homes—they, who tomorrow will sing patriotic songs of joy because they are privileged to serve the international plunderbunds."

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Father Coughlin said December 8, 1935:

"Need I inform you industrialists and the ladies and gentlemen in this audience that, during the last session of Congress, legislation was passed practically permitting the President to confiscate industry in the emergency of war? Need I further suggest that, in the event of war, the President may suspend democratic methods of government and, to all practical extent, assume the role of a dictator?"

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SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine said April 24, 1939:

"There is no use in deluding ourselves that America is the savior of democracy. As a matter of fact, there is little or no democracy left in either hemisphere: the myth of democracy in Great Britain and France long since has been exploded; Russian 'democracy' is an unvarnished lie; only three democracies exist in South America; and slowly but surely, the last vestige of democracy is being wiped out of America. Upon the declaration or entrance into war —or the Executive pronouncement that we are in a state of emergency—there will be no more democracy in Washington than there is in Moscow."

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SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine said October 23, 1939:

THE NEWS: A responsible Washington correspondent stated last week on the basis of information which he personally obtained, that the New Dealers in the present administration 'look to a war emergency for the opportunity to deal the capitalist system a death blow, and socialize industry generally.' The correspondent cited the 'limited emergency' declared by Mr. Roosevelt, and said that if it should be succeeded by a 'full emergency' the President could transform the nation overnight into a dictatorship on the Fascist pattern, from which democracy would be removed.

"COMMENT: The correspondent referred to, (Arthur Sears Henning of the *Chicago Tribune*) has placed his pen on a very real threat to democracy in America. It is still possible to object to the warmaking policies of President Roosevelt and his aides. But after the 'full emergency' has been declared; after the repealed arms embargo law has perhaps created this 'full emergency,' then it will be too late to object. For the country then will be governed by a dictator."

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SOCIAL JUSTICE said October 30, 1939:

"This Federal Republic, the United States of America, although a democracy, has invested in its present Chief Executive power and authority to make the individual citizen tremble. This power has been achieved slowly. Some of his authority President Roosevelt inherited from the wartime statutes of 1914-18. Some he garnered from a weak-spined, rubber-stamp Congress in the depth of the depression, and some he has gathered to himself through the declaration of a 'limited national emergency,' which may be succeeded by the declaration of a 'full emergency'—and dictatorship.

"Attorney General Frank Murphy was approached a few weeks ago by members of the Senate, concerned about the President's declaration of an emergency, and desirous of knowing how extensive were the powers upon which Mr. Roosevelt could act, either in putting this country into war, or in keeping it out.

"Mr. Murphy, after some study, turned over to the Senate officers a list of about 100 acts which granted exceptional, emergency powers to the President. Other powers he refrained from listing in detail, explaining weakly that to do so would involve his granting a legal opinion to Congress. He objected that precedent prevented his doing this, and on this ground he refused to be explicit as to the full quotient of authority invested in Mr. Roosevelt today."

Fear or Cowardice

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this, will bring about a reign of peace and joy to replace the horrors of suspicion and mistrust which are with us today.

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"There are two great obstacles to a return to the old order of rectitude," the author continues.

"The first arises from the false theories of our adversaries. Communists, for example, point to our Saviour as the first 'revolutionist.' But they lose sight of the fact that God (through the Incarnation) came down on earth to save mankind not away from his surroundings on some utopian promised land where there would be perpetual sunshine and no shadow. No! Jesus came to save us amidst our surroundings, amidst our daily toil, our squalor, our weaknesses. His revolution was, primarily, a soul revolution.

"The second obstacle comes from within, *from the humiliating fact that the Christian world really is not Christian!* For many years we have been diluting the milk of the Word of God. We have put 'service' and 'personality' as substitutes for genuine holiness. St. Paul did not tell us to overcome evil by personality or service. He counselled us to overcome evil by good.

"It is only when we are thoroughly convinced of our serious obligation to strive after personal sanctity that the fundamental need of genuine fear of God will obtrude itself . . .

"Our Blessed Lord would have us constantly meditate upon this all-important subject:

"'*Fear not those who kill the body, but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear him who can cast both body and soul into hell!*'"

The Farmer 'Pays'

WAR "prosperity" has not only failed to touch the American farmer, but, on the contrary, has reduced his income.

According to a report by the Department of Agriculture, farm income in February of this year was $629-million, compared with $643-million in February, 1940.

Responsible for the drop was the reduction of Government payments. While the income from all agricultural marketing increased by $2-million, the Federal payments were reduced from $98-million to $82-million.

Receipts from livestock and livestock products showed a gain of $31-million, but proceeds from crops were $47-million lower.

Thus with the attention of the nation riveted on the plight of the British Empire, with the Administration giving warships, airplanes and billions of dollars of war materials to England, and China. Government payments to American farmers were *decreased* by $16-million!

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President Creates Fear, Senator Wheeler Charges

SPEAKING at a rally of the America First Committee in Indianapolis, Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, the courageous leader of the Senate anti-war bloc, dissected President Roosevelt's speech proclaiming an emergency and found it to be "another Presidential promotion of fear psychology."

Senator Wheeler charged that the President's fireside talk "echoed the sentiments of our war makers — of our Rockefellers, Morgans, Dorothy Thompsons, Stimsons, Knoxes, Walter Winchells—and all those who would sacrifice lives that are not theirs to give."

"These international bankers—jingoistic journalists, fierce and warlike statesmen—would plunge this nation into war, either because of their hate or fear of the little paperhanger from Berlin," the Senator said.

"In his fireside chat the President said: 'The thing we have most to fear is fear itself.' With that I agree," said Wheeler, "But, Mr. President, you sought to implant fear in the minds of the American people. Preaching fear has been the weapon you have used so successfully against your political adversaries.

"Beginning on March 4, 1933, you preached successively a fear of money changers, a fear of the economic royalists, a fear of munition makers, a fear of lobbyists, and a fear of the Supreme Court. A year ago, you began preaching physical fear—a fear that New Orleans and Denver were in danger of bombing raids. No man in all history, Mr. President, has exploited fear as you have exploited it!

"Today, Mr. President, you have forgotten your fear and hatred of the economic royalists. You have forgotten your fear of the munition makers. You have forgotten your fears of reactionary Republicans, which you so fervently preached a few years ago. At this moment you are the leader of the Morgans, the Rockefellers, the Kuhn-Loebs and the older statesmen who want war, but are too old to fight. Wendell Willkie is your lieutenant. These, your new-found friends, join in praising the war program which you have raised—in the ashes of social and economic reform. Aren't you, Mr. President, a little chagrined by your new-found friends?"

In his broadcast address Mr. Roosevelt warned that the nation would assert its right to freedom of the seas at all costs. Yet at his press conference next day, he was reported to have said that he would "keep American ships out of places where they will be sunk."

"Which statement do you stand on, Mr. President," Wheeler asked, "your warlike speech, or your later statements to the press?"

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For the benefit of those who have been misled by vicious charges that he is a "Nazi" or "Fascist" sympathizer, Senator Wheeler said:

"I hate one-man government. I was denouncing Mussolini when Churchill was saying in 1927: 'If I were an Italian, I would be a Fascist.' I was denouncing Hitler when Lord Halifax was shooting wild boar with Goering in Germany.

"I am opposed to Fascism, Naziism or Communism. If there are those within the hearing of my voice who prefer any foreign 'ism' to Americanism—I say—go to Russia, Germany or Italy—but stay there. I say to them—there are those who have faith in American institutions, who have confidence in our ability to defend ourselves, who are not afraid to remain at peace and who believe we can solve our domestic problems within the framework of the *Constitution.*"

To the false charges circulated by interventionist newspapers that America First rallies are "packed with Nazi and Fascist supporters," Mr. Wheeler replied that the audiences to whom he has spoken comprised a cross section of our population. "They hate war today—as you, Mr. President, said you hated war in 1936. They cannot be discredited by your calling them 'Bundists' in 1941—any more than you were discredited by those who charged you with Communism in 1936.

"These American people to whom I spoke were not pro-Nazi, pro-Fascist or pro-Communist. They were simply pro-American!"

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Mr. Wheeler pointed out that Great Britain today is using the same propaganda tactics employed in 1917 to drag the United States into war.

"Then as now," he said, "they were fighting our war. Then, as now, we were to be enslaved. Then, as now, South America was to be invaded. Then, as now, the Germans wanted our country."

The Senator then raised the question as to what Britain's attitude would be were the war situation reversed.

"Who believes that if we were at war with a foreign power that England would give us her gold, her battleships, her planes and tanks and guns, as we give them to England today? And how many believe that if England offered us these gifts of vital military and naval supplies that she would say: 'You do not need to come after them; we will bring them across war zones to you even if it means war for England'?"

Wheeler said he admires the English because they think of the welfare of England first—not some foreign country.

"How I wish we had more Americans who thought of America first!

"No one has ever called the British silly, sentimental suckers," the Senator said. "They are realists. Listen to what a great English leader, Lord Palmerston, once said: *'England has no eternal enmities and no eternal friendships. She has only eternal interests!'*"

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Excoriating the royal refugees who deserted their people, and now urge the United States to enter Europe's war, Mr. Wheeler said the American people know "that these royalists did not give their subjects the democracy they now implore us to save. They know that these royalists did not solve the economic and social problems in their lands. They know that when the cannon roared and death rained from the skies—these royal refugees seized their gold and departed for safer lands.

"They left their subjects to do the fighting and dying they would now have us do. Their pleas have left the American people cold. And so now the President has been induced to lead the crusade for war."

But the American people will not be fooled again as they were 25 years ago, Wheeler declared; for they now realize the sham and the futility of war.

After fighting one war, allegedly for the preservation of democracy, Americans are now convinced that the "four freedoms" embodied in our form of government cannot be imposed forcibly upon the whole world, he asserted.

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Senator Wheeler called upon the President again to reassure the people of America that American boys would not be sent into a foreign war. Having made that pledge while seeking re-election last fall, Mr. Roosevelt inferentially repudiated it in his speech guaranteeing delivery of war supplies to Great Britain, the Senator charged.

Furthermore, the President is keeping vital facts from the American public in his moves leading to involvement in the conflict abroad, the Montana Senator charged. He said the people have not been informed of the fact that the Government has very few airplanes suitable for combat action, or that the Army is inadequately equipped and trained to wage war.

Instead of attempting to frighten the public into a war psychosis, by warning of the imminent danger of invasion by Germany, the President should "tell the American people that there is no possibility of a military invasion of the Americas," Wheeler continued.

"There isn't sufficient shipping in all the world today to transport an army of a million men and all their necessary supplies from Europe or Africa to the Americas," he said.

"These are hard, cold facts, Mr. President. They can be confirmed by almost any well-informed military or naval expert.

"Mr. President, isn't each of the following questions a hard, cold fact?

"That many military experts believe that Britain has exhausted much of her air man power?

"That we, in combination with England, cannot land troops in Europe?

"That England has lost every major battle?

"That the only hope to bring American man power and air power to bear on the Continent of Europe is to establish a front in the Near East?

"That only 2-million tons of American shipping are available for an expeditionary force?

"That World War experience taught us that three gross tons were required per man of the expeditionary force?

"With less complete control of the seas, with mechanized forces, it is probable that five tons of shipping per man will be required; and on this basis, the maximum American expeditionary force would be 400,000 men—a force wholly inadequate to maintain even the security of the air bases established once the expeditionary force and its shipping are committed to a Near Eastern effort!"

Wheeler pointed out specifically the fallacy of the argument that America would be doomed if forced to compete with a Hitler-dominated Europe.

"China has cheap labor—even slave labor—but they are not now nor have they ever been a serious competitor.

"England controls the largest low-wage labor supply in all the world. British factories, with British machinery and British executives and employing the cheap labor of India and the Malay States, have never been able to stifle American competition."

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Letters

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More British Than the Colonies

TO THE EDITOR:

The recent speech of Mr. Hull (in which he stated in effect that no peace by negotiation is possible), has me wondering.

Have we been secretly saddled into this war by international bankers?

If we are at peace, then why do our leaders speak as if we were at war?

Or, to quote Mr. Knox: "If we should attempt to back down now, England would go down to catastrophic defeat and we would face a worldwide victorious Germany and her allies *whom we should have to fight alone.*" Why?

I fail to see where England has honestly helped any nation or ever will. She merely sends a representative (token) force to encourage others who are fighting her battles—battles to uphold her imperialism. And, if the nation is one which is not fighting her war, then, not even that assistance is given but the nation is urged to resist with promises of immediate aid.

There is also much talk of speeding up production and yet we harbor and protect the radicals who are at the bottom of all the disturbances that are slowing up production.

To be an American, one must be pro-British. And, if one dares to believe and think of America First, he is a "Nazi."

The international banker's dream of Union Now is wonderful and to wear a British badge is sporting. But save your Americanism and throw away that shameful America First button.

By what trick do we owe more to the British (apparent because we give for nothing), than their own dominions which *sell* to them and whose allegiance has not even invoked conscription laws though they are officially in the war?

—F.X.S.

New York, N. Y.

Which Imperialism?

TO THE EDITOR:

Many people are under the impression that President Roosevelt never tried to bring about peace in Europe. The facts are that he did so in 1938, at the cost of one telegram, but the results were so disappointing that he never tried it again.

Perhaps, he saw that his friend Chamberlain was trying to double-cross him the following week when he tried to make a separate pact with Germany without asking his consent

Had President Roosevelt at that time broadcast a request to all nations to come to a meeting in Washington, or elsewhere, to discuss a permanent peace, he would have made a name for himself that would do honor to his descendants for generations to come.

I do not know how many more issues your paper will be able to publish but until the last one appears, you will be doing your part to save America from the horrors of war. It is well to remember that wounded and crippled Germans suffer the same as the English do and had you had your way, neither would be doing so.

Much has been said about how our South American trade will suffer if Germany wins. Apparently this argument means that we intend to destroy Germany in order to compel South America to do business with us whether they like it or not.

It seems to me that the South Americans should decide this for themselves in the same manner that we demand the right to.

—F.J.D.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Cleveland Has Changed!

TO THE EDITOR:

Having given away a certain issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE and later wanting to refer to same, I called at the nearest Public Library branch.

Upon looking through many publications and not having been able to locate one, I inquired as to the reason. The librarian informed me she would send a page boy to the basement where they were in the habit of keeping this particular magazine. The page boy returned bringing with him a soiled issue of May, 1939. I then asked the attendant why they chose to seclude such a worthy and truly American magazine, whereupon the librarian, much confused, answered it was because it was not frequently requested and they could not give it the space in the racks. Furthermore, she added, the magazine is "too controversial" for public display.

I then pointed out other publications. She then very reluctantly promised to keep my donation in the rack until I brought another one. I don't really expect to find it there, however, for just this evening I placed one in the rack and five minutes later as I sat there reading, a librarian removed it to the basement.

Would it not be advisable to ask your readers to make more frequent inquiries for SOCIAL JUSTICE at the public libraries? Many people would undoubtedly become regular subscribers had they ever the opportunity to accidentally peer into one.

—Mrs. E.A.P.

Cleveland, Ohio

America's Middle Class Is Truly in the Middle

TO THE EDITOR:

As we stand today upon the threshold of entering a bloody war to enforce the "four freedoms," to protect "our way of life," to safeguard what is called our American standard of living, let us first examine this standard.

Do we find a happy and prosperous nation where the great middle classes are in possession of their own homes, with tidy little bank accounts in reserve for a rainy day?

I was taught in the first grade that the middle was half way between two points, not at the top, so let us proceed to debunk a false notion prevalent among our people by analysing our standard of living, taking Government figures.

There are approximately 40-million wage earners or income bearers in this nation. As I see it, if we segregate the 10-million at the top and the 10-million at the bottom, the remaining 20-million must be our truly middle class, the backbone of any nation. What are the statistics?

The bottom quarter, or poor class — 10-million, earning up to $750 per year. The next quarter, or lower middle class—11-million, earning from $750 to $1,250 per year. The next quarter, or upper middle class, 11-million, earning $1,250 to $2,000 per year.

My figures are borne out by a report of the Monopoly Committee who state that nearly 70 per cent received less than $1,500 per year. So, out of every 75 workers, only 5 received the acknowledged living annual wage of $1,800 per year.

Thus, the law of averages makes it very evident that, in this land supposedly of opportunity, 70 out of every 100 must remain poverty stricken while only 5 will receive a living wage. Yet we are told that nothing must be done to limit wealth, or individual initiative, lest we ourselves, in so doing, throw away our chances of becoming millionaires.

Among the remaining quarter, or the upper crust, of approximately 10-million, there are something over 8-million getting between $2,000 and $5,000 per year. There are approximately 1-million getting from $5,000 to $10,000 per year. Please bear in mind, however, that this quarter are not middle class but every one *must be classified as rich.*

Bear in mind, too, that in the remaining ½-million of this so-called upper crust are the only individuals receiving $10,000 per year and over, our President's at $75,000 plus, per year, and our United States Senators and Representatives at $10,000 plus per year.

Remember, that with few exceptions, in looking for men to guide our Ship of State, we have ignored 99 per cent of our people, that we have reached up into the favored 1 per cent in this nation to choose our lawmaking body, paying them according to their station in life, hoping meanwhile that they would be great enough to reach down to legislate for the suffering masses. Yet, how many of them in recorded history were ever great enough to give or devote what they had to the poor and follow Christ?

I do not say that all of the rich are selfish and dishonest, but I should like to point out that God Almighty decreed that His only begotten Son should be born, not in the lap of luxury, but rather in the poverty-stricken surroundings of the working class; that His trade should be that of a Carpenter and not a money manipulator; a Builder, if you will, and not a merchandiser of murder.

And I say that if you want to protect your rabbits, don't place a rabbit hound in the pen to guard them, hoping that he might also happen to be a "vegetarian."

—S.R.S.

Katonah, N. Y.

It's for Britain Now

TO THE EDITOR:

Dear old Uncle Sam is generous to the limit. He has guaranteed Britain help to the tune of $7-billion and one would think that such generosity ought to satisfy her, but not Britannia—she is not that kind of a gal. She again wants to spill the blood of our American sons, and that is not all, she now wants our spending money, as witness the information in the enclosed sack, which was distributed to the citizens of Cleveland by none other than the Boy Scouts.

The sack containing two peanuts reads:

NUTS—to you
Don't miss
WHAT'S YOUR HURRY
The craziest show of the season
Benefit
BRITISH WAR RELIEF
Music Hall, May 16, 1941
IT'S A RIOT;
Tickets on sale at
The Higbee Company
.50—$2.00
All seats reserved.

When an irate citizen phoned Scout Headquarters and talked to the Scout Master, the reply came back, "That is all right."

The American who phoned was a Spanish War Veteran. He reminded the Scout Master at headquarters that back in 1934, when the disabled American veterans had asked the Boy Scouts to give them assistance in their Forget-Me-Not drive, that the organization was refused this help from the Boy Scouts, in its work of rehabilitation of the Veterans disabled in England's last war, and at that time the World War's disabled were informed from Scout headquarters that the *Boy Scouts were forbidden to take part in any solicitation.*

—A.S.B.

Cleveland, Ohio

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Letters

Jews Victims of Bad Leadership

TO THE EDITOR:

There are many good, honest and hard-working Jews in America who are completely against this country becoming involved in Britain's war—but like the rest of the plain people, they have no voice in the matter. A long time ago, their false leaders cunningly devised a plan whereby they bound together all Jews, good or bad, by simply setting up "a nation within a nation" wherever possible. Thus the Jew has always been the scapegoat.

They who are wise in every other sense — in business, at law and in medicine, etc.—are yet so blind that they can be burdened down and made to carry this ever-increasing load.

No one knows better than they that hate breeds hate — intolerance begets intolerance. Let them see the light now, for it will be they, even those that are good, who will be blamed and not the guilty ones, for all the ills that will beset this nation, if, when and after the war.

Need it be said that the Jews need no extra protection or freedom in this great land so long as the will of the people prevails and it is the will of the people to stay out of this war. This fact is on record. Would we not be at war now if that were not so?

At Royal Oak, a man who wears the cloth, also wears a heart that is heavy, for it is he who dared tell the truth, only to have his very words distorted as they fell from his lips.

Some day, real soon, those who did not listen to his golden words of truth, but instead, listened to the brazen lies of those who sought his silence, will hang their heads in shame and ask to be forgiven.

Some say that his voice has been silenced, but that is not so, for he has placed his voice in many hearts and they will echo and re-echo until we in America shall have peace with social justice.

—C.H.

Bronx, N. Y.

Getting Around

TO THE EDITOR:

Having just come home from a seven-month trip of working on an American tramp steamer, I was wondering if SOCIAL JUSTICE has ever received any support or comment from the "lands down under."

As it is, I carried aboard one American ship, the *Lightning*, around twenty or thirty copies of our SOCIAL JUSTICE paper, and believe it or not, I left behind me in Australia every one of them. Through another shipmate of mine, we contacted the Catholic Club in Sidney and bearded the roaring lion in his own den.

That is why I was wondering if my efforts bore any fruit or if our paper did get a hearing at this club. I make this a practice of distributing our paper wherever I sail to. I also carried the SOCIAL JUSTICE on the *City of Rayville* to India two years ago.

Of course you know the *City of Rayville* is on the bottom of the Bass Straits now. She was the ship that hit a mine about eight months ago.

So you can see that SOCIAL JUSTICE does travel and I shall continue doing so regardless of what the war-mongers think or do.

Please do not show my name or address as it may cost me my job.

—Sailor Boy

New York City

Advice to Veterans

TO THE EDITOR:

You should call attention of veterans to how last National American Legion Convention was packed and to the antics of the National Commander endorsing the use of our Navy, etc., and at the same time, neglecting to push the *Widows' and Orphans' Bill* and *Immigration Bill* that the convention has urged for years!

Also suggest that veterans run for delegate or take care in electing America First delegates to the state and national convention — also repudiate antics of present officers and invite both sides to address the national convention.

If the Legion can be stirred up and fair debate ensues in convention, I am sure that the right men will win—and it will do more to break the war-mongers than anything yet.

—Patriotic Veteran

Saginaw, Mich.

Let Them Set Example

TO THE EDITOR:

The so-called interventionists, war-mongers, pro-Britishers, refugees, or what have you, are wasting valuable time trying to convince the so-called appeasers, that they ought to come over to their side!

Instead of talking so much, as they do, about getting Hitler, or whoever or whatever it is that they are out to get — why don't they, the war-mongers, form their own private navy and army and volunteer workers, refugees, nurses, doctors, etc., and columnists, independent of the U.S.A. of course, and pack their little bags and shoulder a gun and hop over the border to Canada, say, and be right in the war, and let the appeasers have the United States all to themselves, since they, the war-mongers, are so anxious to go get Hitler? Why don't they go "all out" in a big way after him?

They could give everything they own—money, properties, time and effort, and their lives the right way! They could even man their own convoys, camouflaged, and with the British flag on them of course!

Let those who want war, go—and those who don't want war—stay here in peace! Since they, the war-mongers, seem to be the only ones who know what this war is all about.

—L.C.

Maplewood, N. J.

Bishop Gallagher's Speech

TO THE EDITOR:

Would it be too much for you to publish our good Bishop Gallagher's speech on his 50th anniversary to the priesthood?

He once told us over the radio that he was back of Father Coughlin. Do you remember that speech? I can't recall the date, but I think it was in 1937 or 1938.

He said he was ordained in Rome when Pope Leo XIII gave to the world his appeal, *"Rerum Novarum."* He said he was filled with the desire to go back to America and preach the teachings of the Pope, but he said: "I found myself blocked on all sides by my superiors. Long after I was a Bishop, the first thing I did was to look around for a strong young priest who would help me fulfill my long desire to help the poor. I met Father Coughlin and I saw the man who had the courage, ability and education to help me, etc."

It was a wonderful speech and one that should be read right now as well as a tribute to dear Bishop Gallagher.

—E.L.B.

Detroit, Mich.

Kidding Themselves

TO THE EDITOR:

The band of Hitler baiters in this nation would hurl 130-millions of people into the hell of war on the specious grounds that it is to protect "our way of life."

The report of Mr. Paul V. McNutt tells us that at least 45-millions of our own people here in America are suffering from malnutrition. He informs us that they are undernourished because they are too poor to buy proper foods.

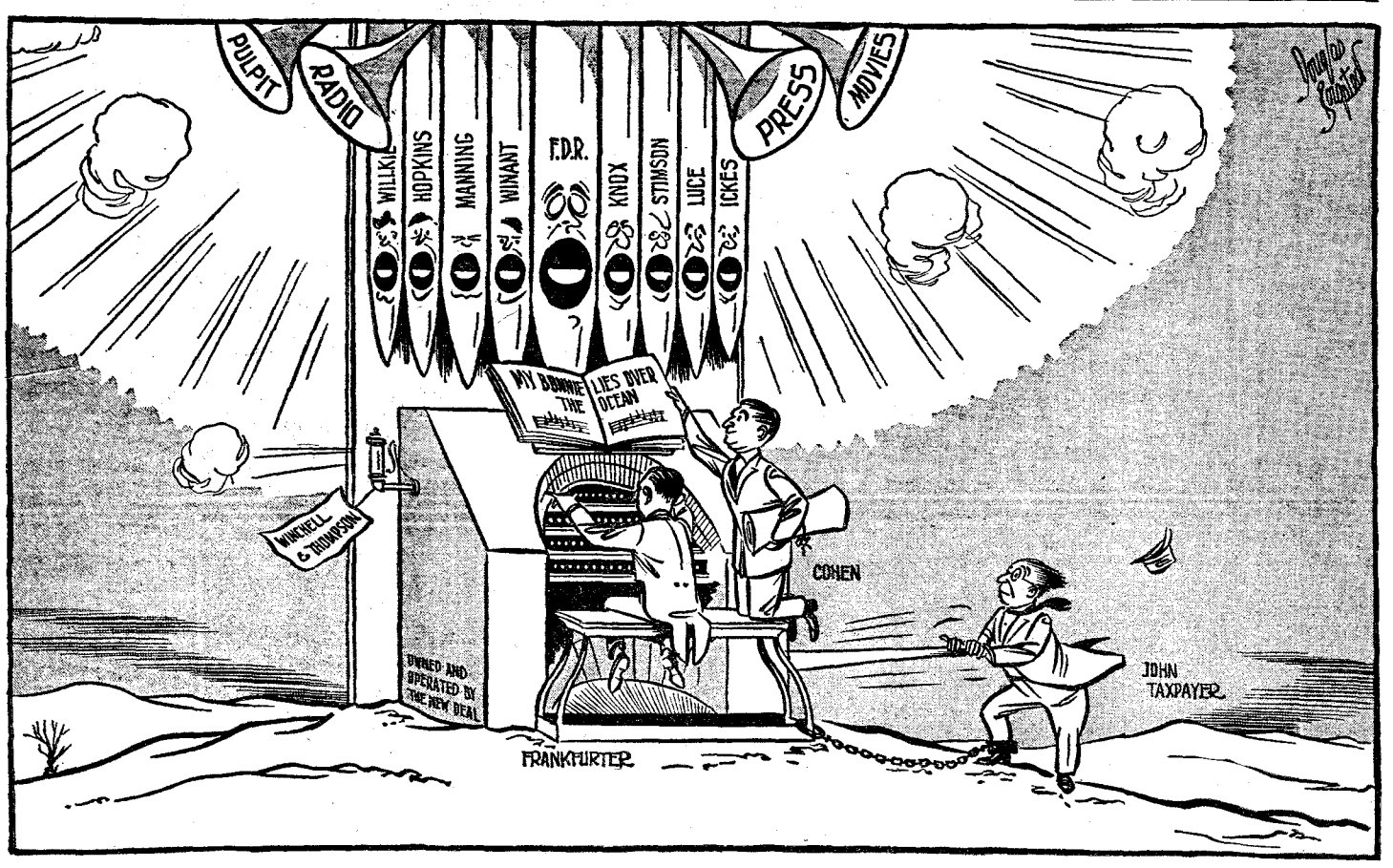
The "big shots" who control things in Washington and elsewhere can donate billions of dollars, our dollars by the way, to Britain for the prosecution of the empire's war, that was created by their fellow internationalists across the sea; but they are unwilling to lift a finger to help the starving people right here at home.

Do these Baruchs, Roosevelts, LaGuardias, Lehmans, Morgenthaus, Brandeis, Frankfurters, Hillmans, Kuhn-Loebs, and the rest of them imagine that the American people are going to get excited about going to war to protect a "way of life" that starves millions while the few live in luxury?

And do these people imagine that they are going to escape the just wrath of the American people? If they do, they are kidding themselves.

St. Louis, Mo. —W.L.S.

High on a Windy Hill



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Comment

Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick

IN a forthright address to his congregation recently, Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick said that the United States faces "social revolution, economic chaos, dictatorship, and Communism if the country joins belligerent participation in the European war."

"We must be tolerant," he said, "of deep differences of judgment and must respect the conscience of those with whom we cannot agree."

Of course, there is no tolerance in this nation. We do not tolerate the economic system in vogue in Germany, although we expect Germany to tolerate our gold domination economy.

We do not tolerate Hitler's treatment of the Jews, Catholics and Protestants, although we expect him to tolerate our treatment of Negroes, Indians and Catholics. Yes—we said Catholics. Because Catholics have imposed upon them a double school tax in the United States for the privilege of having their children educated according to the Catholic code.

And Catholics have heard General Hugh Johnson, Dorothy Thompson and others openly state that this is a "Protestant country" even though very few citizens are registered in Protestant churches.

We have no quarrel with affairs in America, although we lament some of them.

But it ill behooves us to engage in kettle versus pot argumentation.

Dr. Fosdick is right. As a result of the war into which we are about to enter, not Communism but Marxism, economic chaos, dictatorship and social revolution will eventuate.

Perhaps, we have it coming to us.

Perhaps, God in His justice is not willing to help those who are unwilling to help themselves.

The point is that we are about to enter into a war in which we will be losers—not in the sense that the Axis powers will be the victor, but in the sense that no one will win and all the poor people over the entire world will lose.

Where V. F. W. Stands

THAT smear against Father Coughlin in the V.F.W. booklet was not an accident; the pamphlet is an authentic product of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mr. Victor E. Devereaux, director of the Department of Americanism, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, sends the following letter to inquirers:

"Dear Comrade:

"I have your letter of recent date regarding your attitude on the V.F.W. pamphlet, '*Fifth Column Facts.*' I am sorry that you take the attitude that you do. I have talked to many men of the Catholic Faith, and shall continue to do so whenever possible to get their angle on the pamphlet. With the exception of one or two instances, they have told me that the reference to Father Coughlin could not and should not be construed as an attack on the Church nor upon Father Coughlin.

"The brief reference to him merely quotes some of the statements that he has made. When a man of his high caliber makes a statement, many persons take it for granted. There can be little doubt that he has made statements that have been erroneous and not entirely conducive to harmony which we need now probably more than any time in the past. I do not believe that the reference to Father Coughlin constitutes an attack upon him, and certainly not upon the Catholic Church.

"You mention bankers, financiers, and so on. You speak as though these men in so-called 'Big Business' were criminals or do not have the interests of the nation at heart. You should remember that our country has been erected upon certain ideals and upon initiative and enterprise. We would have no free country had it not been for those who have been far-sighted enough and capable enough to build the great industries and enterprises which make the country.

"How about labor? It appears that labor is not entirely innocent of selfish motives, and through its activities, strikes, and so on is holding up national defense when we need it most. It is coming to light now that Communists and foreign propaganda generally, together with active infiltration, is much to blame.

"You state that the V.F.W. has probably sold out, and that *Foreign Service* is war-mongering. Both these statements are unfair and not the truth as you undoubtedly know. The V.F.W. is one organization which has never sold out to anyone. Such a statement is ridiculous.

"As for war-mongering, the great majority of the 130-million people of our country have different opinions than yours. A loud minority opposes the national defense plans of the Federal Government as provided for by the Congress. They are ably supported by foreign Axis propaganda, for the dictators do not want aid to go to England, and there is no doubt as to their intention to demolish democracy.

"In this connection, the V.F.W. has gone on record to give reasonable aid to Britain as a part of our national defense, and the intent of our organization as mandated is being carried out. You cannot well construe that as war-mongering unless you also believe that our government is war-mongering, and I cannot believe that, for I think that our information here is probably better than yours.

"Now that our country has determined upon a policy of 'all-out' national defense, there is every reason why all patriotic Americans should back it to the utmost, and not lend their efforts to those foreign elements who wish to create dissention and confusion and so far as I am concerned that applies to Senators, Congressmen and others who are unwilling for some reason to go along with the majority of our citizens.

"I am willing to string along with President Roosevelt in his efforts to save democracy. I have given thirty-five years of my life in the interest of our country, thirty of which were spent in the United States Army. And, if necessary, I am willing and able to take a rifle and a pack and go out again."

Dorothy Thompson

AT A RECENT meeting in New York City, Dorothy Thompson, the newspaper columnist, had conferred upon her by an eminent Jew, the title of the "American St. Joan of Arc."

Dorothy, like Joan, has a horse — a high horse, and a hobby horse. Dorothy's steed is a war-monger.

And Dorothy, like Joan, is the best little propagandist we have produced in a century. But her song is a song of hate.

She may have some of the externals possessed by St. Joan of Arc.

As yet, there is no bishop ready to consign her to the flames.

As yet, she has manifested no heroic aptitude for martyrdom.

Her patriotism is inclined to be a little *kosher* at times — not comprehensive enough to regard the welfare of all.

However, she has been "canonized" as a modern St. Joan of Arc by a gentleman who respects Christian saints in about the same manner as Christians regard Lenin and Bela Kun.

The 'American Rock'

WILLIAM J. GOODWIN, Queens (New York) Democratic leader, has announced the formation of a new national political group called "The American Rock."

Its purpose is assertedly to combat Communists and Communist-supported candidates for political office by throwing the force of its organization behind vigorously anti-Communist candidates.

The "Rock" is said to be the result of almost two years' effort on the part of Mr. Goodwin and will shortly enter the field of New York City politics.

Assailing Mayor LaGuardia for "appointing Reds to the Board of Higher Education," Mr. Goodwin called the mayor the "chief fellow traveler" of the Communists of New York City.

To oppose LaGuardia in the next municipal elections, Mr. Goodwin hinted that "The Rock" would support Domestic Relations Justice Herbert A. O'Brien.

During their testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee last February, both Mr. Goodwin and Judge O'Brien stated that America's entrance into the European conflict would bring about a civil war in the United States.

The warning drew fire from interventionist quarters as being "fantastic," and Mr. Goodwin was additionally condemned for reporting to the Senate that New York schools were infested with Communists.

James Marshall, president of the Board of Higher Education, called Mr. Goodwin's testimony "irresponsible nonsense."

"How can Mr. Goodwin, who has no knowledge of the school system, make any such broad statement?" Marshall asked. "Such half-baked opinions are vicious."

These "half-baked opinions," however, have now been vindicated by the sensational findings of the Rapp-Coudert legislative committee investigating subversive activities in New York State.

At present, many of the exposed Red teachers have been ousted, jailed or forced to resign. But outraged parents are still asking why the Board of Higher Education refused to take action until compelled to do so by public exposure.

Mr. Goodwin had the answer a long time ago!

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Comment

Hollywood, 'Unlike Any Other Town'

A LETTER from a man who "knows his Hollywood" has found its way to the editorial desk. It writes its own comment and reads as follows:

"B.W.'s well-expressed opinions regarding the Hollywood-picture business, as printed in the April 28th issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine, were written with a decided knowledge of unwholesome conditions existing in the movie capital.

"It seems strange, amazing and open to serious thought when it is so evident that citizens of Miami Beach, Florida, far removed from the 'Hollywood humbug,' are so well informed regarding the despotic leaders of the motion picture industry; while official Washington seems oblivious to public welfare, hobnobs with and creates consent decrees for the movie moguls to perpetuate their monopoly over motion pictures—and continues to sustain their 'Sodom and Gomorra' to the detriment of the general welfare.

"Ed Sullivan in his column of Monday, April 28th, voices his belief that the verdict of guilty meted out to Joe Schenck and Joe Moscowitz, for alleged income tax evasions, would have been different had testimony been offered, 'that the jurors should have been given a clearer picture of Hollywood, which is unlike any other town in the world . . . Had they (the jury) been prepared for an understanding of the way things are done in the movie colony, Schenck undoubtedly would have fared better.' Thus wrote the columnist Ed Sullivan.

"Mr. Sullivan, you may remember, is the brevity journalist who would banish Father Coughlin to some polar expedition. This columnist and his wife are most welcome in the charmed inner circle of picture magnates now educating our picture-minded American youth.

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"Will you also read the enclosed item which appeared in the *Los Angeles Examiner* (April 25th) under the heading *'Dockweiler (District Attorney) Probes Film Orgy Charge, Minnesota Girl, 16, Reported Attacked by Producer After Lewd Show in Actor's Home.'*

"Arriving in Hollywood each week, some 200 ambitious girls between the ages of 16 and 23 come with enthusiastic hopes and clean ambitions in search of jobs in the motion picture studios, and eventual fame as motion picture actresses," the letter continues.

"During the last year, according to the Motion Picture Producer's Association and the Chamber of Commerce, there have been a total of 15,000 migratory actresses and would-be actresses arriving in Hollywood qualified only by ambition, desire and good looks.

"Not more than one in a hundred is able to get a contract, or enough day jobs that will keep them in room, board and reasonably clothed.

"Fifty per cent return to their homes disappointed, disillusioned and suffering great mental torture after going through the Hollywood 'wringer.' The remainder get married; find jobs locally as waitresses, stenographers, nurses, sales girls, etc.; while uncounted numbers are entrapped to become prostitutes, drug addicts, human derelicts, and land in hospitals, jails or commit suicide.

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"In the overwhelming interest in war news and politics Hollywood has become the site of a Belshazzar's feast for the unscrupulous," the writer goes on. "In the confusion of daily happenings, this condition has escaped investigation or remedy.

"Occasionally our scandals are published in the newspapers, or hinted at in the columnist's scandal department, but a vast majority of cases are pigeon-holed through high-pressure methods and cash, which buries the forgotten rape, assault and other criminal acts.

"If the name of the 'well-known actor' who entertained the 16-year-old Hibbing, Minnesota, girl in his home where 'lewd motion pictures were shown,' is disclosed, Mary Astor's diary will be a trite bedtime story in contrast.

"Sixteen is about the right age for those controlling moving picture studios. Anything over that is considered an 'old hag' here in Hollywood

"This latest 'orgy' is only one of many, and closely parallels the case of another 16-year-old girl from Texas who wanted to go into the movies and landed as a hat-check girl in a night club.

"The Texas girl was picked up by authorities and placed in the Juvenile Hall after confessing and charging sex relations with a list of 18 Hollywood film men; but she was soon hustled aboard a train headed East and the charges have 'gone with the wind.' "

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To lure and entice "new girls" arriving in Hollywood to join the vice gang, under pretense of securing them jobs or a contract as screen actresses, the hangers-on around the fringes of filmland follow a simple formula.

First, says our Hollywood informant, the power, influence and general goodfellowship of "Mr. So and So," or some one of the top executives, or studio chiefs, is the convincing propaganda of the procurers and gigolos.

Second, flattery, glory, fame and riches are promised if the youngster is "a nice little girl."

Third, a "convincer" is sometimes offered by way of a publicity item in one of the Hollywood propaganda sheets and occasionally in some daily reputable newspaper.

Fourth, a corps of at least 50 procurers, recruited from among gigolos, agents, minor studio employes and fringe riff raff, are reportedly "tools" of the white slave traffic.

Next, the young lady meets the "Big Man who can get her a contract," or a test and it leads to — disillusion. There is no job, or contract in the unhappy end of the story.

One wonders what would be the verdict of an American jury if ever they were given, as Mr. Sullivan says, *"a clearer picture of Hollywood which is unlike any other town."*

Lehman's Red 'Victory'

GOVERNOR Herbert Lehman of New York recently vetoed the New York state legislature's appropriation of $47,000 for counsel fees for the Rapp-Coudert Committee investigating subversive elements in the New York school system.

Next day, the Red *Daily Worker* hailed the move as a "victory" for Communism!

So it was.

Governor Lehman's budget-paring deprived the legislative committee of the services of its three ace lawyers, who in recent months have uncovered the startling truth that Reds hold down many of the most important teaching posts in New York State.

A few days later, George Harvey, president of the Borough of Queens, publicly denounced the Governor's action and asked:

"What mysterious power has the Communist Party that enables it to sabotage every probe of its activities?"

To voters who remembered New York's last gubernatorial race, however, the answer was an easy one.

In 1938, Herbert Lehman defeated the Republican candidate, Thomas Dewey, and was re-elected Governor by a scant margin of 64,394 votes.

This all-important quota was supplied by New York members of the Communist Party.

Had Stalin's agents in America ordered the Reds to switch their votes, Tom Dewey would today be Governor of New York.

Therefore, Lehman's attempt to hamstring the work of the Rapp-Coudert anti-Red Committee was merely the re-payment for an old political debt.

The entire Lehman family is in the debt of the Communist Party.

If brother Herbert had not been re-elected, what would have happened to brother Irving, whom the Governor appointed Chief Justice of New York's Supreme Court?

And what would have been the fate of brother Robert, who runs the international banking firm of Lehman Brothers?

Perpetuation in power is important to the Lehman family dynasty.

A majority of New Yorkers, however, are growing a little tired of their Governor's dealings with the Communist Party.

Public opinion in the state overwhelmingly agreed with State Senator Frederic Coudert, co-founder of the Rapp-Coudert Committee, who criticized the Governor's action in the following statement:

"The committee has struggled for nearly a year against savage obstructions in its pursuit of subversive elements in our educational system.

"The District Attorney and Grand Jury have also taken action. The committee has won the approval of these authorities and of citizens of the city and state generally.

"And now it is sabotaged by our Governor — that Governor who has so long and so loudly proclaimed the need of defending democracy against subversive elements."

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America First Committee

FOR SOME TIME, the *America First Committee* has been the only outlet through which the 82 per cent of Americans who do not want war could express themselves.

The Committee obtained the services of Colonel Charles Lindbergh, Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Senator Gerald Nye, Senator Champ Clark, Representative Martin Sweeney, Rev. Edward Lodge Curran, and other prominent leaders to carry the message of peace and non-intervention to the American public.

For some time, dire rumors have been circulated about certain individuals who take it upon themselves to act on behalf of the *America First Committee*.

The purpose of this comment is not to blast the *America First Committee*, but to ask the responsible heads of the Committee—including General Robert E. Wood—to make a pronouncement before radicals within the ranks of the *America First Committee* succeed in splitting the organization into a thousand segments.

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Recently, Mr. John T. Flynn of New York, went out of his way to assail a Mr. McWilliams seated in the audience of an *America First* meeting at Madison Square Garden.

Why?

SOCIAL JUSTICE holds no brief for Mr. McWilliams. But the point is, if the *America First Committee* decides to accept only those whose lives, religion, philosophy, associates, business partners, etc., are streamlined to fit the definition of America Firstism as concocted by Dorothy Bromley then the *America First Committee* will soon develop into the "America Last" Committee.

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Herewith we print excerpts from a letter received from a SOCIAL JUSTICE subscriber in Washington, D. C.:

"I went to the *America First Committee* Headquarters on Vermont Ave., N. W., here in Washington on Friday, May 16, 1941. After the greetings were exchanged, the secretary, Miss Simons, said she had bad news for me. She said the local chapter did not want the support of Father Coughlin and his friends. She said that she hated to tell me this because I was a faithful worker, but pressure was brought to bear on her.

"I surely did work hard to help this *America First Committee* with funds, distributing literature and phoning my friends about their activities.

"Miss Simons said their committee in New York had a lot of trouble in New York with the Jews over Father Coughlin's followers.

"Miss Simons said that General Wood said he did not want intolerance on their side . . . I asked her if General Wood was the one who did not want our support. She said: 'Oh, no, it was the local committee.' I asked her who made up the local committee. Then Miss Simons gave me a letterhead on which appear the following names: William R. Castle, Mrs. Burton K. Wheeler, Alice Roosevelt Longworth, Kathryn Lewis and Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark."

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We also have in our possession a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. John T. Flynn, dated May 21st, which reads as follows:

"I gave my services at the Manhattan Center rally as director of the musical program, because I strongly favored the expressed purpose of your Committee to keep America from involvement in European and Asiatic wars, and, because I was convinced that under the watchword of 'America First' I would be working with fellow Americans who share my loyalty and faith to the Washingtonian Republic.

"I was surprised and unpleasantly impressed with my contacts with various members of your organization with Marxist views and purposes. I am strongly opposed to the pollution of our Republic by all Marxist influences whatsoever, whether of the Marxist New Deal, or of anti-New Deal Marxists.

"While, of course, I support such true Americans as Father Gillis, Colonel Lindbergh, and General Wood and shall continue to fight to prevent our participation in foreign wars, I must request that you remove my name and the name of *The American Society for the Preservation of Patriotic and Sacred Music* from any record of your associates. (Signed) Charles Albert McLain."

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If Father Coughlin's friends are not pleasing to the *America First Committee*, then it is high time for the Christian Front to go outside the catacombs where it has been slumbering for some time.

***PM*—pro-Marxist publication—rejoices in a headline which screams "*Christian Front Row May Split Isolationist Ranks.*"**

Definitely, the pro-Marxists, Dorothy Bromleys and others want the *America First Committee* rent in twain.

Senator Wheeler, Colonel Lindbergh and others have no part in this left-wing play.

Consequently, while we are not supporting the "*PM*-ists," the John Flynns, the Bromleys, yet we are supporting the struggle being made by two men, particularly, to keep America out of war and these two men are Lindbergh and Wheeler.

As you remember, the National Union for Social Justice went through the same turmoil now being experienced by the *America First Committee.*

The Communists joined our ranks. And the Communists split the organization from within.

Let us hold our heads. While we will not permit the radicals to pour their slurs on Father Curran and others, yet all decent people who love America first, and Britain no better than second, can still co-operate with the *America First Committee.*

Don't Fail to Read 'Fear or Cowardice' A Discussion of the Christian Viewpoint

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